

Period 5 Essential Questions Part I- Fully answer each of the following questions to the best of your ability. Be sure to provide detailed information, and explain the information when crafting your answers. These questions cannot be answered in one sentence.

Chapters 18 & 19:

1. What were the major terms of the Compromise of 1850? What was the significance of the Fugitive Slave Law?
2. What were the main causes, consequences and impacts of the Kansas-Nebraska Act? What effect did it have on the expansion of slavery?
3. How similar was the Compromise of 1850 to the Missouri Compromise of 1820 (Ch. 13)? How did each affect the balance of power between the North and South? Why do you think compromises could be made in 1820 and 1850, but not 1854?
4. Based on the Lincoln Douglas debates, how did the views of both men exemplify the views of Americans at the time?
5. What were the primary arguments surrounding the election of 1860? What were the lasting consequences?
6. In your opinion, Is the Union of American States permanent and binding or did South Carolina have the "right" to secede?

Chapter 20:

7. How did the Civil War change from a limited war to preserve the Union into a "total war" to abolish slavery?
8. How did the North and South each handle their economic and human resource needs? Why were the economic consequences of the war so different for the 2 sides?
9. How did the Civil War bring about changes in civilian society for the North and South? How did it particularly affect women?

Chapter 21 & 22:

10. What were the key social, political, economic, and environmental advantages and disadvantages for the North and South during the war?
11. What was the purpose of the Emancipation Proclamation? What effect did it have on the war?
12. How did Lincoln see the Civil War as an opportunity for the nation to bring forth a "new birth of freedom" and why was it necessary for the survival of American self government?
13. What were the differences between the Presidents and Congresses plan for Reconstruction?
14. In what ways did the South attempt to limit freed slaves rights after the Civil War?