

Popular Sovereignty, John Brown, Dred Scott, & Harpers Ferry

GADOE Teacher Notes: Guided Reading, Vocabulary, and Review

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Standards Covered:

SSUSH8 Explore the relationship between slavery, growing north-south divisions, and westward expansion that led to the outbreak of the Civil War.

e. Evaluate the Kansas-Nebraska Act, the failure of popular sovereignty, Scott v. Sanford, John Brown's Raid on Harper's Ferry, and the election of 1860 as events leading to the Civil War.

Guided Reading Questions:

1. What were three events in the 1850s that directly contributed to the escalation of tensions between the North and the South and the outbreak of the US Civil War?
2. Define the term popular sovereignty. Why did Southerners support the concept?
3. What were the effects of the Kansas-Nebraska Act on the government of the territory of Kansas?
4. Why was the Kansas territory referred to as the "Bleeding Kansas"?
5. What issue drove the creation of the Republican Party? What groups came together to create the Republican Party?
6. What were the legal principles established by the Dred Scott vs. Sanford case?
7. How did the decision in the Dred Scott case lead to worsening relationships between the North and the South?
8. After the raid on Harper's Ferry, How did Northerners come to perceive John Brown? How did Southerners view Brown?
9. Who ran for President in 1860? Which Party, and region of the Country, did each candidate represent? And, what was each candidate's stance on slavery?
10. How did South Carolina react to the election of Abraham Lincoln to the Presidency in 1860?