

# EVENTS LEADING TO THE CIVIL WAR

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

## 1820 -Missouri Compromise

- In the Compromise Missouri was admitted as a slave state.
- Maine was admitted as a free state
- Slavery was prohibited in the area north of 36° 30'

Draw a line across the Louisiana Territory at 36° 30' (Write *Slave States* and *Non-Slave States* on the map.



## 1846-WILMOT PROVISIO

I, Representative Wilmot, propose to Congress a law that prohibits slavery in any new territories we win from the Mexican American War!



I, Daniel Webster, a representative for the North think \_\_\_\_\_

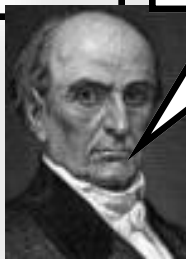
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I, John Calhoun, a Senator from the South think \_\_\_\_\_

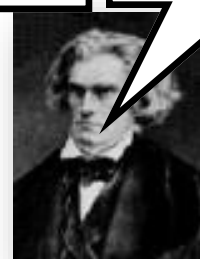
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## 1850-COMPROMISE OF 1850

Show how balance was maintained in the Senate by placing the following statements on the proper side of the balance scale.

- California was to be admitted as a free state.
- New Mexico and Utah territories would decide for themselves whether or not to allow slavery.
- A strong Fugitive Slave Law was enacted.
- The slave trade in the District of Columbia was abolished.

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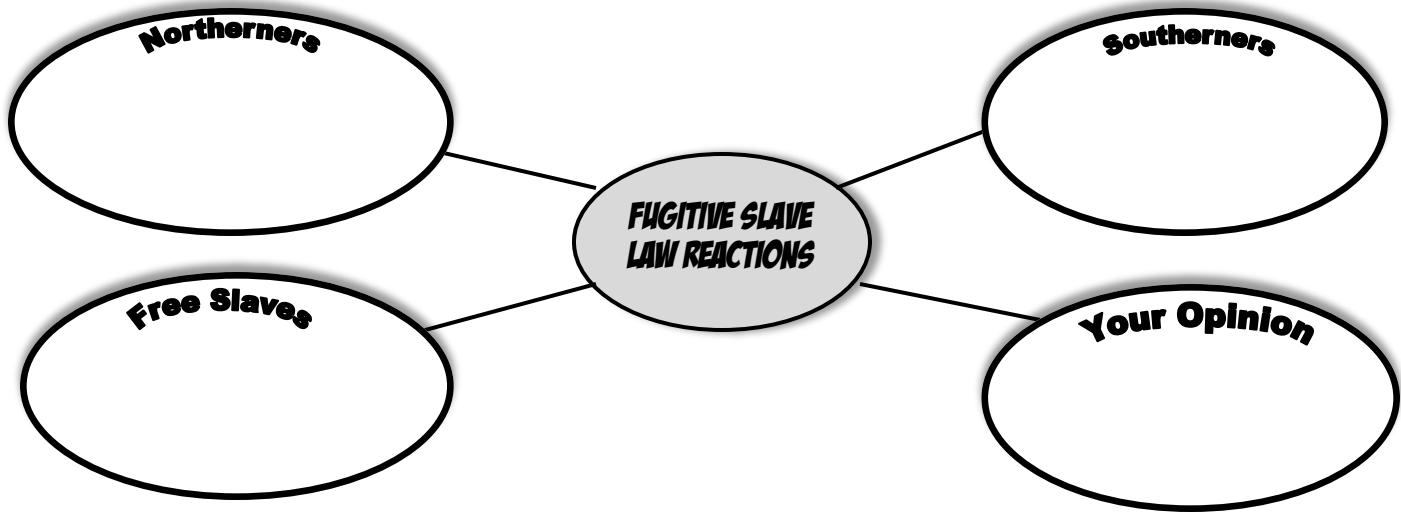
**AGAINST SLAVERY IN THE  
NEW TERRITORIES**

**COMPROMISE OF  
1850**

**PRO SLAVERY**

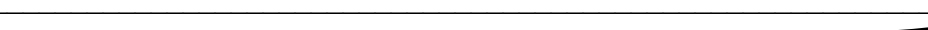
## 1850-THE FUGITIVE SLAVE ACT (PART OF THE COMPROMISE OF 1850)

Write the perspectives of the groups affected by the this congressional act in the space provided. Add your perspective.



## 1852-UNCLE TOM'S CABIN

Explain Harriet Beecher Stowe's reasons for writing *Uncle Tom's Cabin*.



How did the North and South react to her emotional novel? Use evidence to support your claim.

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## 1854-RESPONSE TO THE KANSAS-NEBRASKA ACT (Bleeding Kansas)

Create political cartoon strip demonstrating your understanding of why Kansas was in battling (bleeding). Include the views of John Brown and Charles Sumner.



## 1857-Dred Scott Decision



Dred Scott– Slave

You are Supreme Court judge who ruled on the Dred Scott case. What was your reasoning behind for your decision?

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## ***1858–THE LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATES***

Outline the two opposing viewpoints below.



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**REFLECTION:** Out of these eight events leading to the Civil War, choose the three events you think made the Southerners feel they had no choice but to secede from the Union. Use evidence to support your claims.

Events	Evidence that supports why you chose this event.
1	1
2	2
3	3