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Chapter 13 Section 4: Life in the Cotton Kingdom

Read the text and answer the following questions.

1. Were most southern whites plantation owners that owned slaves?

2. What was a “planter”?

3. What was the “cottonocracy”?

4. What role did this group play in the South?

5. What was the life of a “small farmer” like?

6. What was the life of a poor white like?

7. How many free African-Americans lived in the South in 1860?

8. Why did slave owners not like the presence of free blacks in the South?

9. What laws were passed in the South that limited the freedoms of free blacks?

10. What different types of jobs did slaves have in the South?

11. What were the slave codes? Give 3 examples.

12. What was the only protection from mistreatment that slaves had?

13. Why was it difficult for slaves to keep families together?

14. What role did religion play in the lives of slaves?

15. What was the result of Denmark Vesey’s slave revolt?

16. What was the result of Nat Turner’s slave revolt?