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**Slavery and the Making of America: Seeds of Destruction**

**Answer the following questions based on the video.**

1. What fraction of Southerners lived in bondage circa 1800?

2. Who was Harriet Jacobs? What did she write?

3. Why was it unusual for a slave to be literate?

4. Describe a female domestic slave’s relationship with her master and mistress. Why did both

relationships have the potential to be detrimental?

5. Did the male “southern code of honor” protect slave women?

6. How did the religious message that slaves took from Christianity contradict the message that they were taught in their master’s churches?

7. What did Nat Turner do in 1831?

8. What happened to many slaves as a result of white fears in the period following Nat Turner’s Rebellion?

9. Why did Harriet Jacobs run away and hide in her grandmother’s attic?

10. Who ran away more frequently, slave women or men? Why?

11. Why did the Louisiana Purchase help to sustain slavery?

12. What invention, coupled with the Louisiana Purchase, led to the most dramatic increase in Southern slavery?

13. What did Congress outlaw in 1808?

14. How many slaves were brought or sold into the deep South?

15. What was the purpose of the Missouri Compromise?

16. What became the key United States cash crop in the early 19th century?

17. What happened to some free Northern African Americans like Solomon Northup?

18. How often did slave auctions occur in Washington, DC?

19. Describe the Southern “slave holding aristocracy.”

20. How long was a typical slave’s work day?

21. How did the Northern economy “support” Southern slavery?

22. How did slaves cope with being separated from their families?

23. What form of media did masters use to search for runaway slaves?

24. What happened to captured runaway slaves?

25. How did Harriet Jacobs escape to the North?

26. How many free African Americans lived in the Northern United States?

27. What was life like for most Northern free blacks?

28. Who was Fredrick Douglass?

29. Who fought against the institution of slavery in the Northern United States?

30. Following the Mexican War, why did Congress adopt the Compromise of 1850?

31. What did the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850 establish? Describe the Northern reaction to this law.

32. What ruling did the Supreme Court pass in the Dred Scott case of 1857? How did Northerners react to the ruling?

33. What happened between Preston Brooks and Charles Sumter?

34. Who was the Republican nominee in 1860?

35. What happened before Abraham Lincoln’s inauguration in 1861?