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**UNIT V (1848-1877) Ch. 13 Student Outline – THE UNION IN PERIL**

Key Concepts & Main Ideas	Notes
Intensified by expansion and deepening regional divisions, debates over <b>slavery</b> and other economic, cultural, and political issues led the nation into <b>civil war</b> .	Read the Abraham Lincoln quote and first paragraph of the chapter on page 247. List and explain the four main reasons historians agree on that propelled the nation into civil war.  1)  2)  3)  4)  Which cause do you view as the most significant?

1. Define **sectionalism**:
2. Describe the positions of **Northern Democrats** and Whigs compared to abolitionists compared to **Free-Soilers** –
3. Define **popular sovereignty**:
4. Explain why the Compromise of 1850 was a necessary measure to prevent southern secession –
5. Write down **EACH** of the statutes of the **Compromise of 1850** and describe who that provision was meant to appease (you can name groups, sections of the country, politicians, etc.)

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6. Describe how **Stephen A. Douglas** enabled the passage of the Compromise of 1850 –
  
7. Describe the most substantial consequence of the passage of the **Fugitive Slave Law** –
  
8. Explain the meaning beyond President Lincoln's quote: "So you're the little woman who wrote the book that made this great war." –
  
9. Explain the difference between how *Uncle Tom's Cabin* denounced slavery versus how the *Impending Crisis of the South* denounced it –
  - a. Explain how proslavery Southerners reacted to the condemnation:
  
10. Describe the major political and physical consequences of the **Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854** –
  
11. Explain how the **Brooks/Sumner Affair** is symbolic of the sectionalism of the time –
  
12. Describe the circumstances behind the fall of the Whigs and the rise of the **Republican Party** –
  
13. Explain why the **Lecompton Constitution** was rejected by Congress despite support from President Buchanan –
  
14. Explain how the **Dred Scott decision** impacted sectionalism conflict over the expansion of slavery into western territories –

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15. Describe the **Freeport Doctrine** –

16. Describe the big picture impact that the raid on **Harper's Ferry** had on sectional tensions –

17. Describe the immediate impact of the election of Abraham Lincoln –

18. Describe the purpose of the **Crittenden Compromise** –

**8. Historical Perspectives: What Caused the Civil War? pp 260-261**

Civil War was caused by slavery...	Civil War was caused by conflicting interpretations of the Constitution...	Civil War was caused by opposing economic systems...	Civil War was caused by a failure of compromise...

Which viewpoint do you agree with most? Explain your choice.

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**How it all broke down... literally... a brief review...**

Coming Apart over...	Northern extremists (radical Republicans, some moderate Republicans, and radical abolitionists)	Moderates (Northern "Peace" Democrats, pro-Union Southerners, Some moderate Republicans)	Southern extremists and sympathizers (including Northern copperheads)
Slavery is...	A wicked sin that must be abolished at once, before Christ's return!	Maybe good, maybe bad, but definitely not worth getting killed over...	An inalienable right, sanctioned in the Bible and supported in the Constitution and an integral part of the Southern economy...
Possible remedies include...	Remedy? We said abolish it! And no, we won't pay for a buyout!	The government could spend billions to buy out slave owners... maybe return slaves to Africa... or maybe just let the states solve the issue in their own time...	Meddling Yankees could mind their own (bleep) business.
Future expansion...	Cannot include any new slave states, period.	Should adhere to the original 36° 30' border laid out in 1820	Should include slave states even if they are above 36° 30' if voters choose to have it.
Tariffs on imports...	Are critical to encourage industry by protecting against British dumping of surplus goods which will ruin the Northern economy.	Should probably be repealed or lowered to avoid provoking foreign counter-tariffs and southern rebellion	Are a Yankee industrialist plot to provoke foreign tariffs on cotton exports and ruin the Southern economy.
States' rights...	Don't include the right to secede (and we won't allow slavery to spread).	Allow slavery in new states if the people vote for it, but not secession.	Allow slavery in new states and allow secession.
Secession is...	Treason!	Tragedy!	A Second American Revolution!

**ANSWER THIS**

Which viewpoint do you agree with most? Does that make you a radical or a moderate?

Answer the multiple-choice questions by writing the correct answer in the spaces below:

- 1.
- 2.
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Please answer **Short Answer #3** in the spaces below:

Write your answer to **SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION 3 or 4** on this page only. Do **NOT** write outside the box.

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Q4