

Section 5 Curricular Topic Guide

(These items should be in your notes)

- I. Context
- II. Manifest Destiny as a nationalistic policy
 - a. Two Manifest Destinies
 - b. Policies cumulate in the Mexican War
- III. Mexican Cession
 - a. Disposition; effect of spread of slavery controversy
 - b. Controversies (Wilmot Proviso, etc.)
- IV. Compromise of 1850
- V. Sectional Conflict/ Regional Differences
 - a. Social
 - b. Political
 - c. Economic
- VI. Failure of Compromise
 - a. Precedent of Northwest Ordinance 1787
 - b. Missouri Compromise 1820
 - c. Compromise of 1850
 - d. Kansas-Nebraska Act
 - e. Dred Scott Decision
- VII. Election of 1860, Secession
 - a. Dissolution of the Two Party System
 - i. Catalyst (slavery, spread of, abolition of)
 - ii. Jacksonian Democrats
 - 1. Southern Fire Eaters
 - 2. Northern Popular Sovereignty
 - iii. Whigs
 - 1. Conscious Whigs
 - 2. Cotton Whigs
 - iv. Peripheral factions/Parties
 - 1. Liberty Party
 - 2. Know Nothings (nativists)
 - 3. Free Soilers
- VIII. Military Conflict in the Civil War
 - a. Strength and weaknesses of each side
 - b. Defining battles
- IX. Government Policies in the Civil War
 - a. Economic: fiat monetary system
 - b. Violation of civil liberties
 - c. Changing nature of Emancipation
 - i. colonization, enlistment, effect on foreign intervention)
- X. Reconstruction: Moderate Presidential v Radical Congressional
 - a. 13th, 14th, 15th Amendments
 - b. Foundation of Reconstruction polices (non-punitive, punitive)
 - c. Impeachment
 - d. Military Reconstruction Act
- XI. Failure of Reconstruction

- a. Southern opposition
 - i. Klan, White League
 - ii. Black Codes, Jim Crow
- b. Carpetbaggers, scalawags
- c. Reinstatement of Democratic Southern Home Rule
 - i. Bourbon Redeemers
 - ii. The New South (Henry Grady, etc.)
- d. Northern loss of interest
 - i. Election 1876; Compromise 1877