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Slave Codes and Culture

Vocabulary

Antebellum – occurring _____ a particular _____.
(especially the American Civil War)

Slave Codes - laws meant to keep slaves from _____ or _____

Capital Punishment - punishable by _____ or _____

Examples of Slave Codes:

- Slaves could not gather in _____ larger than _____.
- Slaves could not _____ their owner's land without a _____.
- Slaves could not own _____.
- Slaves could not _____ in _____.
- It was _____ for slaves to learn how to _____ or _____.

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Before sanctuary cities, how black Americans protected fugitive slaves

1. What is a sanctuary city?
2. What did the Fugitive Slave Law require?
3. Could slaves get married?
4. What was unclear before 1865?
5. What did Boston's black community pledge to do?
6. What was Douglass' advice to slaves?

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Songs of African-American Migration Were Influential Across the Land

1. Slaves often came directly from Africa, but who else brought slaves to the U.S.?
2. Name 3 musical instruments slaves brought with them from their own culture?
3. What kind of music still uses a diddley bow today?
4. "Shouts" and Spirituals (slave songs) often drew on which part of the bible as a source?
5. When did slave owners start converting slaves to Christianity?
6. Which slave instrument developed into a uniquely American instrument?
7. What was the purpose of the Underground Railroad?
8. How were African American spirituals used in the Underground Railroad?
9. When was the peak of The Great Migration of African Americans out of the South?
10. What types of music did the migration bring to the North and West?
11. Circle the types of music which was influenced by African American culture that you have heard before:
Folk music country music boogie- woogie ragtime blues
Bluegrass rock 'n' roll rhythm & blues jazz

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Notes for Slave Codes and Culture

Vocabulary

Antebellum – occurring *before* a particular *war*
(especially the American Civil War)

Slave Codes - laws meant to keep slaves from *running away* or *rebellling*

Capital Punishment - punishable by *death* or *death penalty*

Examples of Slave Codes:

- Slaves could not gather in *groups* larger than *three*.
- Slaves could not *leave* their owner's land without a *pass*.
- Slaves could not own *guns*.
- Slaves could not *testify* in *court*.
- It was *illegal* for slaves to learn how to *read* or *write*.