

## Slavery Charts and Graphs Questions

### Figure 1

1. What year shows the lowest percentage of free/non-slaves?
2. In 1820 and 1840, both bars show that 13% of the total black population in the U.S. was free. Why is the green portion of the 1820 bar so much smaller than that of 1840? (Why wouldn't they be the same size if they are the same percent?)
3. What source (if any) is given/named for this graph?
4. What other graph/figure could you compare this graph to in order to check its accuracy? Do they agree/match? Give at least one *specific* piece of evidence/data to support your answer.

### Figure 2

1. What does each circle represent?
2. What is true about the vast majority of southern whites in 1860, according to this chart?
3. What percent of the southern white population owned 10 or more slaves in 1860?
4. Is the source for this chart the same or different from that of Figure 1?
5. Does the fact that the maker of the graph gives his name and website make this graph more or less credible? Why?

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### Figure 3

1. The largest jump in total number of slaves occurred between which one interval of years?
2. What state (or group of states) had the smallest number of slaves?
3. What state (or group of states) showed the least overall change/fluctuation in number over the course of the graph?
4. What state (or group of states) showed the most overall change/fluctuation in number over the course of the graph?
5. What source (if any) is given/named for this graph? Does that add or reduce credibility of this graph?
6. What critical flaw/mistake does the graph suffer from?

### Figure 4

1. Do the statistics of this graph largely match or largely conflict with Figure 3? Give at least one *specific* piece of evidence/data to prove your answer.
2. In what year was transatlantic trade abolished, according to this graph?
3. Is this graph more or less credible than Figure 3? Give support for your answer.

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### Figure 5

1. During what time period did Britain's transatlantic slave trade reach its peak?
2. What country had the highest number of slaves from Africa at any one point?
3. What country had the largest transatlantic slave trade already in operation by 1519?
4. What nation had the third largest overall transatlantic slave trade?
5. What is one major thing that the maker of the graph should have done (while still keeping this as a line graph) to make this graph more user-friendly in terms of easily reading and analyzing the data?

### Figure 6

1. Did Canada end its slave trade before or after the U.S.?
2. What continent has the largest number of countries that only recently abolished slavery?
3. How is the data on this chart seemingly in conflict with Figure 5?
4. What should the maker of the chart have done to make this graph more user-friendly in terms of easily reading and analyzing the data?