

Guided Reading Activity

War and the West, 1844–1890

Lesson 1 *The Sectional Crisis*

Review Questions: Using Headings and Subheadings

Directions: Locate each heading below in your textbook. Then use the information under the correct heading and subheading to help you write each answer.

I. Manifest Destiny

A. **What** was the meaning of Manifest Destiny?

B. **Where** did many pioneers wish to settle?

C. **How** did Texas become part of the United States?

D. **Why** did the United States fight a war with Mexico?

II. Slavery and Westward Expansion

A. **Why** did some Southern states begin to talk of secession?

B. **What** concept did many leaders believe new territories should use to resolve the slavery issue?

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C. **What** was the importance of the *Dred Scott* case?

III. The Union Dissolves

A. **Why** was John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry a turning point?

B. **Why** was Lincoln's election the reason some Southern states chose to secede from the Union?

C. **What** happened after the Southern states seceded from the Union?

Summary and Reflection

Directions: Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

How did the idea of Manifest Destiny eventually lead to division within the Union?
