

# Slavery in Mississippi

## Online Teaching Unit

Using a combination of primary and secondary source readings, games, hands-on activities, and group exercises, students will learn about slavery from its origins in North America through the Civil War period, emancipation, and Reconstruction. Throughout the unit they will be asked to put themselves in the shoes of a slave and imagine what it would be like to be sold at auction or perform plantation duties and start a new life after emancipation.

The *Slavery in Mississippi* lessons and handouts are adaptable for grades 4-12.

### Objectives

- Students will discover the history of the transatlantic slave trade that brought thousands of slaves to Europe, the Caribbean, and North America.
- Students will learn about the lives of slaves and slave culture.
- Students will learn about laws and Supreme Court rulings that shaped the slavery system and deconstruct it in the United States.
- Students will learn about the different roles that African Americans played during the Civil War. They also will discover the problems and challenges that the African Americans faced in the aftermath of the Civil War and emancipation.

### Mississippi Department of Education Curricular Connections

#### Lesson One: *The Triangle Trade*

<b>Common Core Language Arts</b>	Grades 6-8	RH-1, 2, 4, 7
	Grades 9-10	RH-1, 2, 4
	Grades 11-12	RH-1, 2, 4, 7
<b>Social Studies</b>	4th Grade, Mississippi Studies/ Regions	2c, 3c, 4, 6c
	5th Grade, US History from Pre- Columbian Era to Colonization	3c, 4b, 4c, 5c
	8th Grade, US History from Explo- ration through Reconstruction	2d, 5a, 6c
	9th Grade, Mississippi Studies	1c, 3a
	Minority Studies	1a, 1c, 1d, 2e, 3a, 4b
	African American Studies	1b, 3a, 3d, 6a

**Lesson Two: *Becoming a Slave***

Common Core Language Arts	Grades 6-8	RL-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
	Grades 9-10	RL-1, 2, 3, 4, 5
	Grades 11-12	RL-1, 2, 3, 4
Social Studies	4th Grade, Mississippi Studies/ Regions	2c, 3c, 4, 6c
	5th Grade, US History from Pre- Columbian Era to Colonization	3c, 4c
	8th Grade, US History from Explo- ration through Reconstruction	2d, 5a
	9th Grade, Mississippi Studies	1c
	Minority Studies	1c, 2e, 4b
	African American Studies	1b, 6a

**Lesson Three: *Life as a Slave***

Common Core Language Arts	Grades 6-8	RH-1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9
	Grades 9-10	RH-1, 2, 4, 9
	Grades 11-12	RH-1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9
Social Studies	4th Grade, Mississippi Studies/ Regions	2c, 3c, 4, 6c
	5th Grade, US History from Pre- Columbian Era to Colonization	3c, 4c, 5c
	8th Grade, US History from Explo- ration through Reconstruction	2d, 5a, 6c
	9th Grade, Mississippi Studies	1c
	Minority Studies	1c, 1d, 2b, 2e, 3, 4b
	African American Studies	1b, 6a

**Lesson Four: *National Feelings***

Common Core Language Arts	Grades 6-8	RH-2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8
	Grades 9-10	RH-2, 3, 4, 9
	Grades 11-12	RH-3, 4, 7

<b>Social Studies</b>	4th Grade, Mississippi Studies/ Regions	2c, 2d, 4, 6c
	8th Grade, US History from Explo- ration through Reconstruction	2d, 2e
	9th Grade, Mississippi Studies	1c, 1d
	Minority Studies	1b, 2e
	African American Studies	1b, 1d, 5b

**Lesson Five: *War and Emancipation***

<b>Common Core Language Arts</b>	Grades 6-8	RH-1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 9
	Grades 9-10	RH-1, 4, 5, 9
	Grades 11-12	RH-1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
<b>Social Studies</b>	4th Grade, Mississippi Studies/ Regions	2c, 4, 6c
	8th Grade, US History from Explo- ration through Reconstruction	2d, 2f, 4b
	9th Grade, Mississippi Studies	1c, 1e
	Minority Studies	1b, 2e, 4b
	African American Studies	1b, 1c, 1d, 2a, 2c, 4b, 5b, 6a