

The Issue of Slavery

Directions Circle the letter of the answer that correctly completes each sentence.

- The Dred Scott Supreme Court decision ruled that slaves were property _____.
A and could be taken anywhere **C** and could sue for their freedom
B only in slave states **D** in states but not in territories
- Democrats chose James Buchanan as their candidate because he was _____.
A against slavery **B** for slavery **C** a safe choice **D** optimistic
- What Representative Preston Brooks did showed that Americans were turning to _____ to settle slavery disputes.
A laws **B** votes **C** compromises **D** violence
- Although its candidate lost, the _____ Party showed strength in the 1856 election.
A Democratic **B** Republican **C** American **D** Know-Nothing
- Senator Charles Sumner made a speech against _____.
A immigration **B** Mexico **C** slavery **D** violence
- John C. Frémont, the Republican candidate in 1856, was a well-known _____.
A explorer **B** inventor **C** statesman **D** Northerner
- The American Party wanted _____.
A to end slavery **B** more immigrants **C** fewer immigrants **D** to keep slavery
- In the Dred Scott case, the Supreme Court ruled that the Missouri Compromise _____ the Constitution.
A supported **B** violated **C** should be added to **D** should be removed from
- Preston Brooks struck _____ several times with a cane.
A Andrew Butler **B** James Buchanan **C** Charles Sumner **D** Dred Scott
- Dred Scott argued that he should be a free man because _____.
A his owner had died **C** he had lived in Missouri
B he was a U.S. citizen **D** he had lived in a free territory