

Selected-Response (SR) Sample Items Grades 3-5

1. Why was it important for the United States Congress to create the Freedmen's Bureau after the Civil War ended?
 - A. The Freedmen's Bureau was needed to protect former slaves after the end of the Civil War.
 - B. The Freedmen's Bureau was needed to protect the Exodusters under the Homestead Act.
 - C. The Freedmen's Bureau was needed to remove unfair practices, such as Jim Crow Laws, from the Confederacy.
 - D. The Freedmen's Bureau was needed to protect Southerners who lost their homes and farms after the Civil War.

2. How are *Uncle Tom's Cabin* and John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry related to the start of the Civil War?
 - A. Both events were about slavery and states' rights.
 - B. Both events made Southerners afraid of a slave rebellion.
 - C. Both events made Northerners aware of the cruelty of slavery.
 - D. Both events led President Lincoln to sign the Emancipation Proclamation.