# Conflicts & Compromises

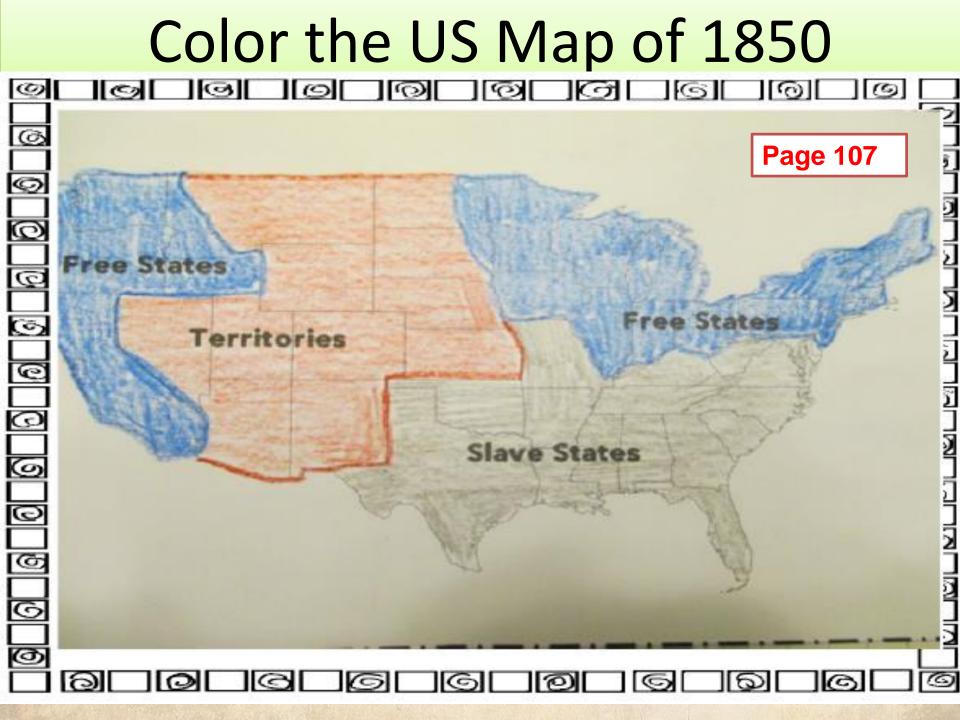
Today, you will be able to: Identify the provisions and compare the effects of congressional conflicts and compromises during the Pre-Civil War period



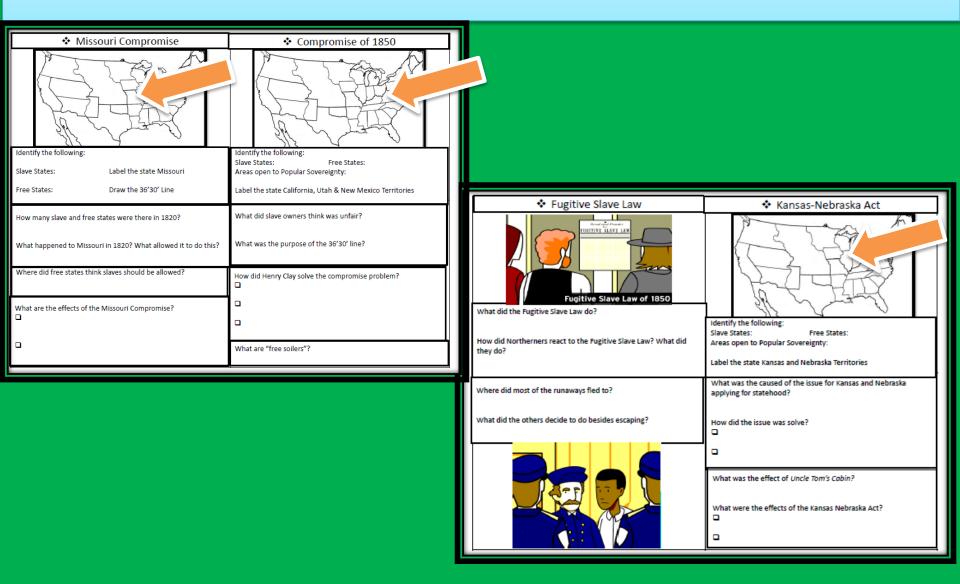
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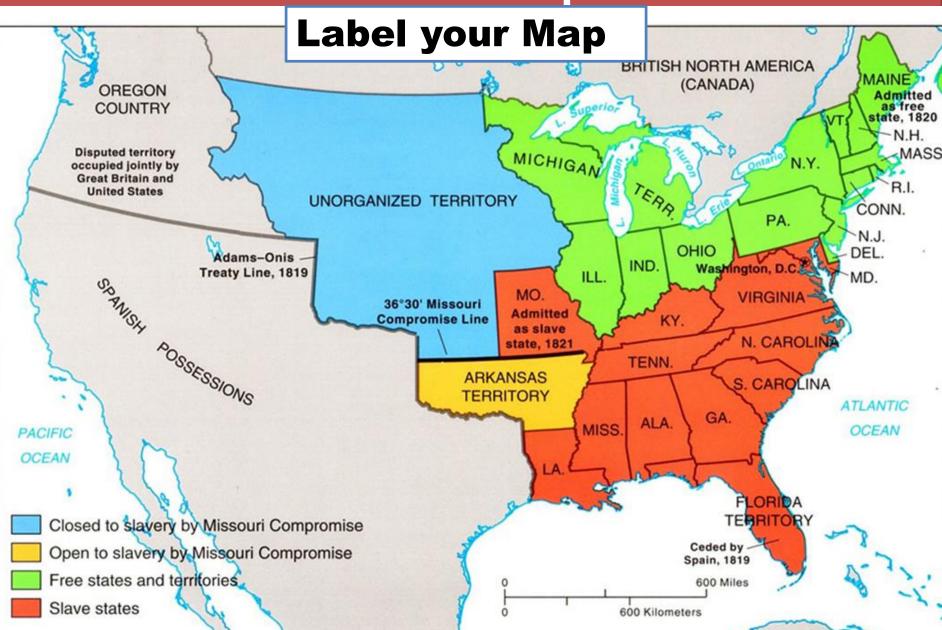
- 1. Label/Color the Compromise Maps
- 2. Read and answer the guiding questions

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#### As you answer the questions in each section, make sure you label your map FIRST!!





How many slave and free states were there in 1820?

In 1820, there were an equal amount of slave and free states in the United States. This balance was important to make sure that both sections of the country would be equally represented. Those that owned slaves would not entertain any idea that would forbid slavery in Western lands.



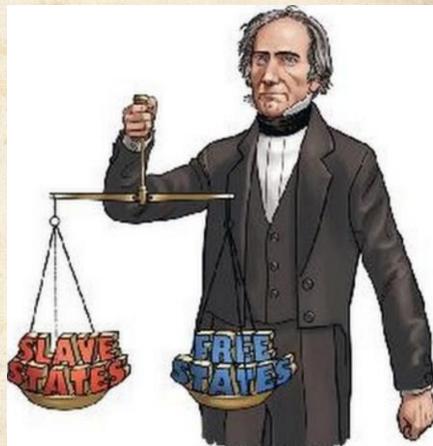
What happened to Missouri in 1820?
What allowed Missouri to apply for statehood?

In 1820, Missouri had 60,000 people in its territory which would allow it according to the **Northwest Ordinance** would allow it to apply to become a state. However, Missouri wanted to become a slave state when it entered the US.



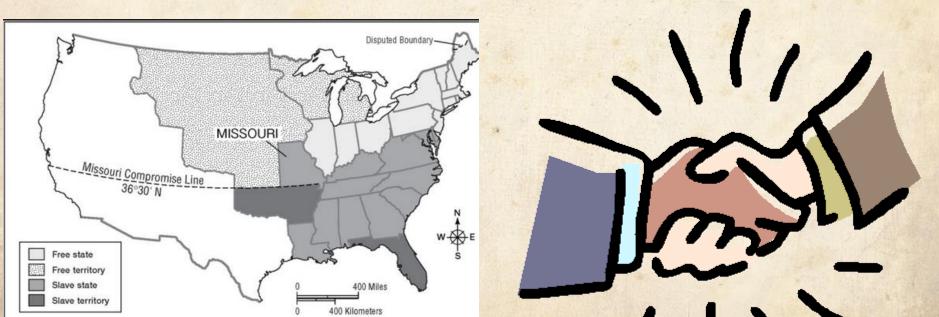


This posed a problem as this would mean there would now be 13 slave states and 12 free states. There was also an issue on how slavery would be allowed to spread to new territories.



Where did free states think slaves should be allowed?

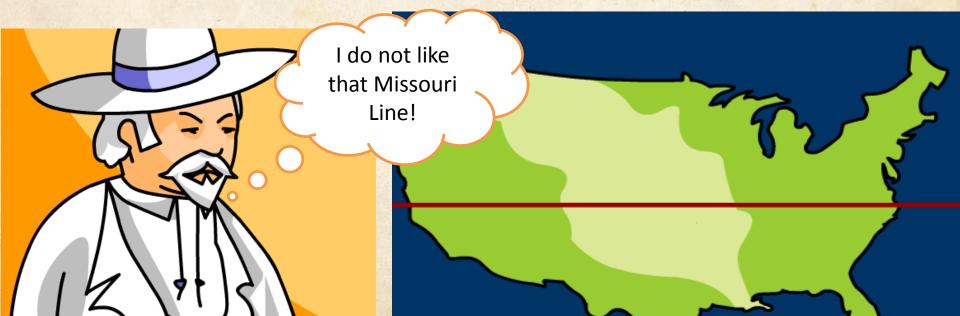
Many slave states thought any new states should be allowed to carry slaves. Free states thought that no new states should be allowed to have slaves. A compromise was reached that allowed for both sides to get something they wanted.



What are effects of the Missouri Compromise?

#### The Missouri Compromise effects:

- Missouri was to be entered as a slave state with Maine being a free state to keep equal number of slave and free states
- Did not allow slavery north of the 36'30' line



#### Label your Map

MINNESOTA

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• What did slaves owners think was unfair?

In 1850, several western states had more than 60,000 white male settlers to apply for statehood and become a state. This posed an issue as new many slave holding settlers felt that the Missouri Compromise was unfair.



 $\circ$  What was the purpose of the 36'30' line?

Under the Missouri Compromise, slavery was outlawed North of the 36'30' line west of Missouri. Many Americans who fought in the Mexican War were settlers from the South who owned slaves. They believed the land gained from the Mexican War should be open to slaves.





• How did Henry Clay solve the compromise problem?

To help solve this problem, Henry Clay came up with the Compromise of 1850 which did the following:

- Allowed California to be admitted as a free state
- Popular sovereignty will decide whether New Mexico and Utah territories would allow for slavery

Created the fugitive slave law

**Mexican Cession** 

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I can solve this problem, no doubt!

• What are "free soilers"?

Many of the people who moved to California in 1949 during the Gold Rush were **free soilers**. The "free soilers" were people who believed that slavery should not expand to new territories that became states. As a result, California was admitted as a free state.



### **Fugitive Slave Law**

 $\circ~$  What did the Fugitive Slave Law do?

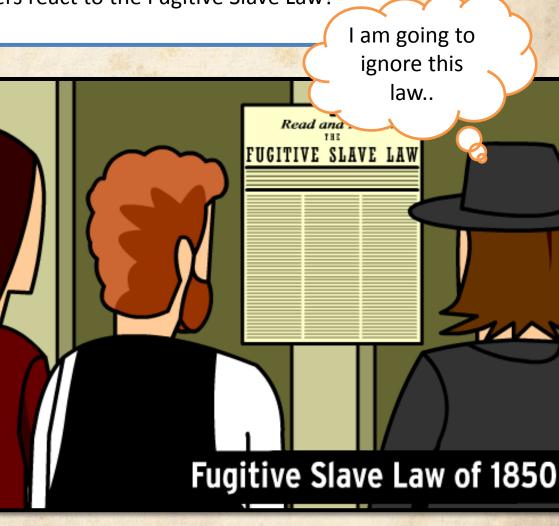
Slave states accepted the Compromise of 1850 on the condition that it created something known as the Fugitive Slave Law. Previously, any slave who escaped to a free state would be free from slavery.



### Fugitive Slave Law

How did Northerners react to the Fugitive Slave Law?
What did they do?

Under the new law, it was considered a crime to help any escaped slave who was living in a free state. Northerners were outraged by the law and many Northerners simply ignored the law.



### **Fugitive Slave Law**

- Where did most of the runaways fled to?
- $\circ$   $\,$  What did the others decide to do besides escaping?

Many runaways fled to Canada rather than risk being caught and sent back to their masters. Others decide to stand and fight. Of the tens of thousands of fugitives living in the North, only 299 were captured and returned to their owners.



#### Label your Map

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UTAH

NEW MEXICO

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Harpers Ferry

Charleston

• What was the issue when Kansas and Nebraska both were applying for statehood?

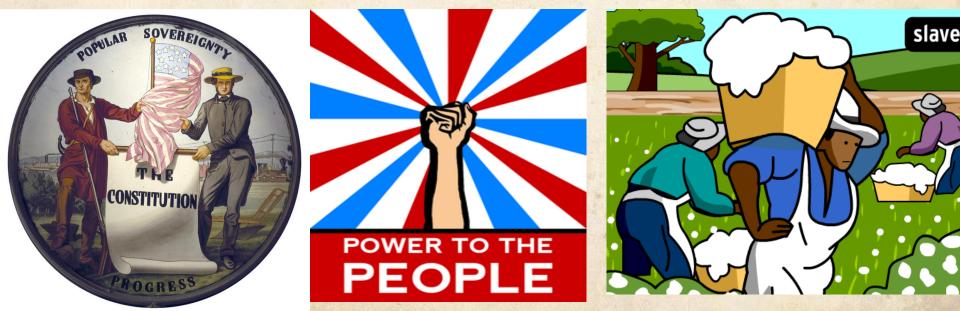
By 1854, the areas of Kansas and Nebraska both were applying to become states. The issue of not allowing slavery north of the 36'30' once again became an

issue.



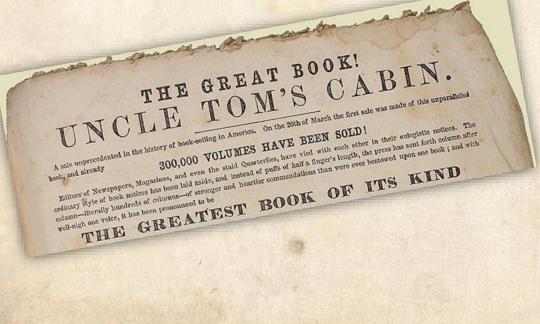
• How did the issue was solve?

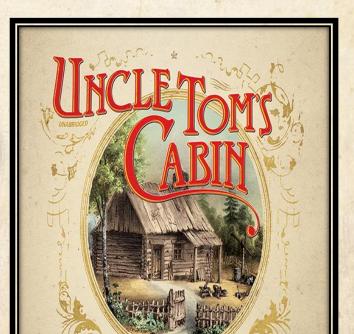
- To solve this issue, the Kansas Nebraska Act did two things:
- Repealed (took away) the Missouri Compromise
- Called for popular sovereignty people rule to decide whether new territories would allow slavery



What was the effect of Uncle Tom's Cabin?

Many Northerners felt that the Kansas Nebraska Act did not help anybody except the Southern economy. This also occurred two years after the publication of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* which had the effect of leading many people in free states becoming abolitionists.





What were the effects of the Kansas Nebraska Act?

- The Kansas Nebraska Act led to 2 key events:
- Pro and anti-slavery settlers in Kansas began to fight each other in what became known as "Bleeding Kansas"
- Northerners who were upset with the decision created the Republican Party

