

Zinn Assignments 9_1

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Study Questions

1. To what extent was the termination of the slave trade in 1808 enforced? Why?
2. Explain the statement: "Are the conditions of slavery as important as the existence of slavery?"
3. What evidence does Zinn include to prove the existence of slave revolts in the United States?
4. Analyze the impact of Nat Turner's rebellion on Southern thought.
5. Explain the phrase: Among slaves there was "simultaneous accommodation and resistance to slavery." Provide examples to support your explanation.
6. To what extent was the Underground Railroad successful? Provide evidence.
7. How were poor whites utilized by plantation owners to maintain control?
8. Explain the use of religion as a means of control.
9. To what extent did slaves maintain their sense of culture, community, and kinship?
10. Explain the significance of David Walker.
11. Explain the significance of Frederick Douglass.
12. What was the basic message of Douglass's Independence Day address in July, 1852?
13. Contrast the abolitionist views of Frederick Douglass and William Lloyd Garrison. How did they generally represent black and white abolitionist views?