

CRASH COURSE: U.S. History

TIME-STAMPED

EPISODE 18: THE ELECTION OF 1860 & THE ROAD TO DISUNION

1. What single issue best explains why the United States fought the Civil War? (1:00)
2. Before the Compromise of 1850, where was there already a fugitive slave law? (1:14)
3. What made the new Fugitive Slave Law abhorrent to some people and terrifying to others? (1:46)
4. How did many African Americans escape from the new Fugitive Slave Law? (1:59)
5. What made land-based shipping and travel easier in the decades before the Civil War? (2:31)
6. What political principal said that the people living in a region should get to decide whether or not slavery would be permitted there? (3:15)
7. Where was there so much violence in 1857 that some people say the Civil War started there at that time? (3:44)
8. What new political party emerged with a mission of stopping the spread of slavery? (4:03)
9. What earlier compromise did the Kansas-Nebraska Act cancel? (4:33)
10. Who won the presidential election of 1856? (5:56)
11. Why did Congress delay letting Kansas join the U.S.? (7:24)
12. What finally happened to Kansas in 1861? (7:34)
13. What did Dred Scott go to court for? (7:56)
14. What shocking things did the Dred Scott decision state? (8:34)
15. What did northern Republicans believe the Dred Scott decision meant? (9:07)
16. Who tried to raid the federal arsenal at Harper's Ferry in order to get guns he could give to slaves so they could violently rebel? (10:34)
17. How did Lincoln become famous even before he ran for president? (11:32)
18. How many votes did Lincoln receive in the nine states of the deep South when he ran for president in 1860? (12:11)
19. Lincoln hated slavery; what had he repeatedly said about it? (12:30)
20. What had already happened by the time Lincoln took office in March of 1861? (12:47)
21. How did the Civil War begin? (12:55)
22. What ultimately made the Civil War inevitable? (13:37)