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Lesson 2 Challenges to Slavery

ESSENTIAL QUESTION

Why does conflict develop?

Birth of the Republican Party

True or False Use your textbook to determine if each statement is true or false. Write **T** or **F** in the blank next to the statement. If the statement is false, rewrite it to make it true.

- **1.** Antislavery members of the Whigs and the Democrats joined Free-Soilers to form the Republican Party.
- 2. In the 1854 election, Republicans won several seats in the House of Representatives from Southern states.]
 - **3.** James Buchanan, a diplomat and former congressman, was nominated for president by the Republican Party in 1856.
- **4.** The American Party was also called the Know Nothings.
 - **5.** The electoral vote gave Buchanan the victory in the election of 1856.

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6. The American Party grew quickly between 1853 and 1856 by attacking immigrants.

7. Frémont carried all of the 16 free states but only a single electoral vote south of the Mason-Dixon line.

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Dred Scott v. Sandford

Directions: Use the chart to note details about Dred Scott.

Entry	Details
Dred Scott (the person)	
The <i>Dred Scott</i> Case	
The Supreme Court justice who wrote the Court's opinion	
The Supreme Court's ruling	
Impact of the decision	

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Lincoln and Douglas

Directions: Answer the following questions.

- **1. Identifying** Who was the Democratic senator from Illinois in 1858? Who was the Republican that ran against him?
- **2. Specifying** What was the main topic of the Lincoln-Douglas debates?
- **3. Defining** What is an *arsenal*?
- **4. Paraphrasing** Tell in your own words what happened at Harpers Ferry.
- **5. Drawing a Conclusion** Was the raid at Harpers Ferry a success? Explain.
- **6. Contrasting** How did different groups of Northerners react to the execution of John Brown?.
- **7. Explaining** Why did Brown's death frighten many Southerners?