US HISTORY

CHAPTER 16 READING

**Directions: Use pages 350 – 368 in order to complete the following questions on your own paper.**

**Pages 350 – 357:**

1. How did Northerners make a profit off of slavery?

2. Why was Britain tied to the South’s production of cotton?

3. Why did the South believe cotton would save them in a war with the North?

4. What is an oligarchy?

5. How did the South hamper public education?

6. Why was King Cotton dangerous to the economy?

7. Most slave owners owned more or less than 10 slaves?

8. How diverse was the population in the North and in the South?

9. By 1860, what three states would one find the bulk of cotton production?

10. What fraction of Southern Whites owned no slaves?

11. Why did non-slave owning whites defend slavery?

12. Where did free blacks come from in the South and Deep South?

13. How were free blacks treated in the North?

14. Why did Irish immigrants and free blacks not get along?

**Pages 357 – 363:**

15. When did the legal importation of slaves end in the US?

16. Why were slaves cared for in the South?

17. What did it mean if a slave was “sold down the river?”

18. Why did slave marriage vows sometimes include “Until death or distance do you part?”

19. What fraction of Blacks were illiterate at the start of the Civil War? Why?

20. Who were Nat Turner and Denmark Vesey?

21. What group first sought to end slavery?

22. What was the goal of the American Colonization Society?

**Pages 364 – 368:**

23. Who established *The Liberator*? What was it?

24. What issues was Sojourner Truth interested in?

25. Who was Frederick Douglass?

26. What political parties did political abolitionists back in elections?

27. What were two events that led to a tightening of black codes in the South?

28. How did Southern whites compare slave work to that of people in Northern factories?

29. What were southern postmasters ordered to do in 1835?

30. How was the North tied economically to the South? Give two examples.