

Slavery—Exercises (Key)

3 MATCH THE WORDS WITH THE DEFINITIONS

A	beast	C	the money that you have borrowed from someone and that you have to give back
B	citizen	F	a person who lived in the Middle Ages and did not have his
C	debt	P	to get away from something or someone who is dangerous
D	gladiator	S	to catch someone and see that they cannot get away
E	lord	H	to find out about a place that nobody has ever been to be-
F	serf	M	large area of land where crops like tea, sugar or cotton are grown
G	whip	A	a wild and dangerous animal
H	explore	K	someone who collects money from passengers on a train
I	master	N	political leader of a country who is said to be very wise
J	carpenter	E	a powerful man who lived during the Middle Ages and
K	conductor	B	a person who lives in a country and has rights there
L	maid	Q	book in which someone writes about their own life
M	plantation	O	to say something officially
N	statesman	R	if something happens very often
O	declare	D	a soldier who fought against other men and wild animals in ancient Rome
P	escape	T	a woman whose husband has died and who has not mar-
Q	autobiography	I	a person who has control over someone else
R	common	L	young woman who helps do things in the house
S	seize	J	person who makes and repairs things made out of wood
T	widow	G	to hit someone with a long piece of leather or rope

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4 FILL IN THE CORRECT WORDS FROM THE BOX BELOW TO COMPLETE THE TEXT ON OLAUDAH EQUIANO !

Olaudah Equiano was born as the son of a **village** chief in western Africa. At the age of seven he was **captured** by **slave** traders and sold to an African **widow** who **treated** him well.

One morning he was put on board a slave ship that was heading to America. Life became very **unpleasant** there because hundreds of slaves were packed into the **cargo deck** . The captain and his **crew** had a hard time keeping their **valuable** cargo alive because many of them fell **ill** and died .

When the ship reached the **Caribbean** island of Barbados the slaves were put up for **sale**, but Equiano was too young to be **bought** . He landed in Virginia, where his owner, Michael Henry Pascal , was a **lieutenant** in the British navy. Pascal made a **sailor** out of him and sent him to school in England . Later on he even **fought** for the British in the Seven Years' War.

As time passed and Olaudah had become **pleased** with his new life he was sold again –this time to Robert King, a **Quaker** merchant from Philadelphia. King put him on a slave ship - a life Olaudah didn't want to **lead** any more. He started **trading** objects and after some time **collected** so much money that he could **buy** himself free.

As a **freeman** Equiano continued working as a sailor. One day the captain of the ship he was working on **decided** to make him a slave again. He was tied to the **mast** and only let go when the ship's **carpenter** begged the captain to **release** him and put him on **shore**.

After this adventure Equiano returned to England where he gave **public** speeches and wrote an **autobiography** which became a big **success**. The former slave became England's leading speaker in the fight to end **slavery**.

autobiography	crew	pleased	slavery
bought	decided	public	success
buy	freeman	Quaker	trading
captured	fought	release	treated
cargo deck	ill	sailor	unpleasant
Caribbean	lead	sale	valuable
carpenter	lieutenant	shore	village
collected	mast	slave	widow

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7 REARRANGE THE LINES INTO THEIR CORRECT ORDER!

- 4 men worked as field hands and women worked as cooks and
- 9 1861 the Civil War started and lasted for four years. In 1863
- 7 Texas. As time went on the conflict became bigger and
- 3 because farmers needed slaves for their plantations. Most
- 5 maids. Those who were skilled were able to get work as
- 8 more and more southern states seceded from the union. In
- 1 When the 19th century began most of the northern states
- 6 carpenters or masons. By 1848 slavery spread as far as
- 10 President Abraham Lincoln declared all slaves free.
- 2 were against slavery and abolished it. In the south slavery went on

8 TRUE OR FALSE?

	T	F
Portuguese navigators brought slaves from Africa to Europe.	X	
Slave trade to the English colonies started in the 18th century.		X
Children who were born to slaves automatically became slaves themselves.	X	
The “Triangular Trade” took place between Europe, Africa and America.	X	
The Underground Railroad was a train system that transported slaves under the ground.		X
When slaves got to Canada they could not be sent back.	X	
The Civil War started because the northern states wanted slaves from the south.		X
Harriet Tubman was a slave herself and helped other slaves escape.	X	
All slavery was ended after the Second World War		X
The Soviet Union sent all of their slaves to concentration camps in Germany.		X
Today there are still many people all over the world who are forced to work.	X	

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9 CROSSWORD—SLAVERY



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10 CROSSWORD—OLAUDAH EQUIANO

1 M E R C H A N T

2 W I F E

3 P U R C H A S E

4 V O Y A G E

5 Q U E S T

6 A U T O B I O G R A P H Y

7 N A R R A T I V E

8 C A B I N

9 C A R G O

10 S E I Z U R E

11 F O R C E

12 R E S I S T A N C E

13 W E A L T H Y

14 S A I L O R