

## AFRICAN AMERICANS - From Slavery to Nowadays

I - TIMELINE - Use the passive voice in the past tense to reformulate these events.

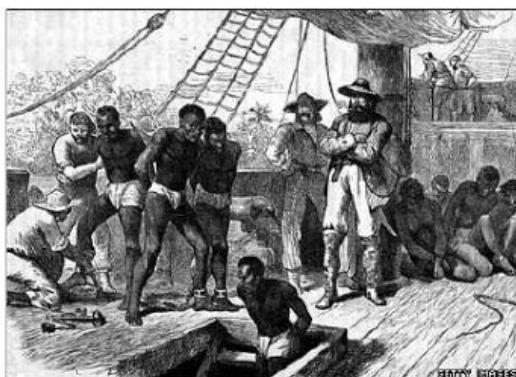
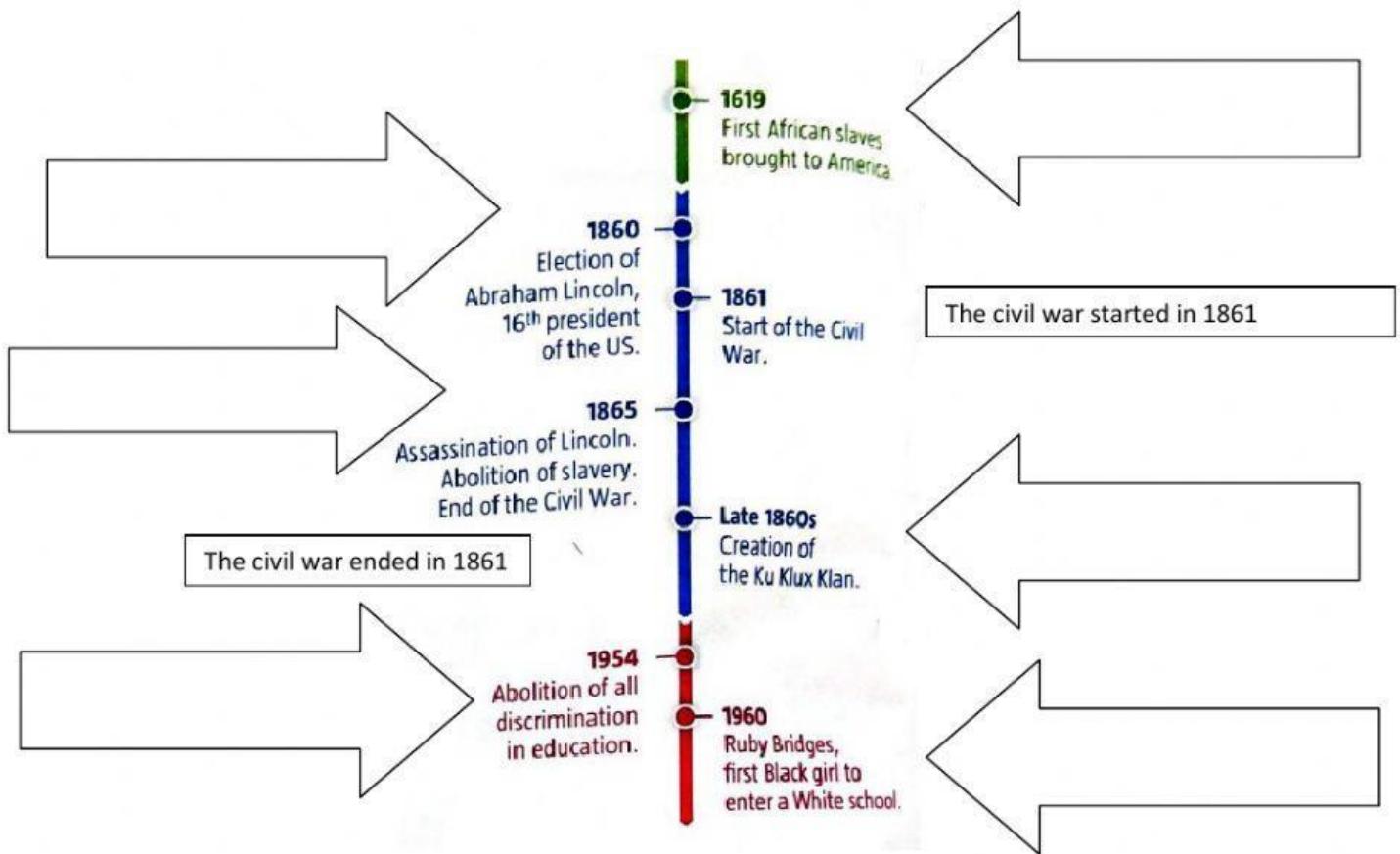
Active Voice

→

Passive Voice

The slave owners whipped their slaves → Slaves were whipped (by the slave owner)  
 The ship owners sold **the slaves** in America → Slaves were sold in America (by **the ship owners**)

S1 :responsible + preterit + S2: victim → S2 (victim)+ WAS/WERE + past participle + by S1 (responsible)



## II- How were slaves treated ? Put these sentences in the past tense

PRESENT	PAST
 <b>MUSTN'T</b> is/are not allowed to <b>CAN'T</b>	was/were not allowed to
 <b>CAN</b> is/are allowed to	<b>COULD</b> were allowed to
 <b>MUST</b> has/have to	<b>HAD TO</b>

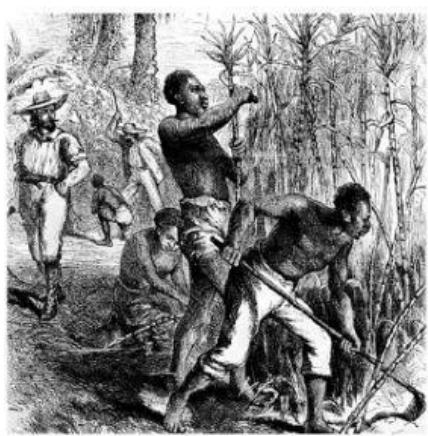


Slaves **MUST** work long hours without getting paid

Slaves **MUST** obey their master

Slaves **CAN'T** marry.

A slave owner **CAN** kill a slave if he attempts to run away



Slaves **MUSTN'T** leave the plantation.

Slaves **MUSTN'T** attack a white person even in self-defense

### III- The Fight against slavery



① **Harriet Tubman** (1822-1913) was one of the most famous antislavery activists in American history. Born into slavery on a farm in Maryland, she escaped in 1849 to the free state of Pennsylvania thanks to a secret organization whose coded name was the "Underground Railroad". After gaining her own liberty, she devoted her life to freeing hundreds of other slaves.

#### ① True or False ?

Harriet Tubman was born in Africa.

True  False

Harriet Tubman was a slave.

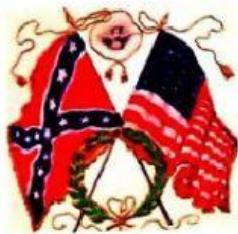
True  False

She was a slave in Maryland all her life.

True  False

She helped other slaves escape.

True  False



② **The American Civil War** (1861-1865) was fought between the Northern and Southern US States. The Northern States wanted to abolish slavery throughout the country,

whereas the Southern States wanted to keep slavery as they relied on African slaves to farm their crops of tobacco and cotton. The war ended with a victory for the North.

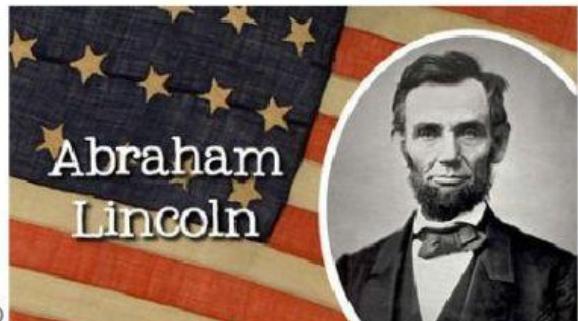
#### ② Who and Why ?

Who were at war ?

What did the Southern states want?

Who won the war?

②



③

During the Civil War, President **Abraham Lincoln** (1809-1865) freed the slaves with the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863. At the end of the war, slavery was abolished with the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

#### ③ Abraham Lincoln

what was his job ?

what happened to slaves in 1863 thanks to him?