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Chapter 7- Vocabulary

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| slave | A person who is legally owned as property by another person |
| plantation | A large farm on which crops are raised to be sold |
| Free state | a state that does not allow you to have slaves |
| Sectional issue | An issue that divides the nation along regional lines |
| abolish | To end or prohibit by law |
| States’ rights | The rights and powers held by the state governments, rather than the federal government |
| fugitive | a person who has escaped from a place or who is hiding to avoid capture or arrest |
| Trunk line | Main route on the Underground Railroad |
| abolitionists | People that opposed slavery and spoke out to end slavery in all states |
| Fugitive Slave Act of 1850 | Allowed slave catchers enter the North to capture fugitive slaves and made it illegal to help escaped slaves |
| Uncle Tom’s Cabin | A novel written by abolitionist Harriet Beecher Stowe that told about the shocking treatment of slaves by a cruel slave owner. It influenced many people in Ohio and the U.S. to support the abolitionists’ movement. |
| Underground Railroad | A system of secret routes used by free people in the North and South that helped fugitive slaves escape to freedom. |