

Keeping The Peace Answer Key

1. It would give slave states more power in Congress.
2. Henry Clay.
3. Maine.
4. It decided where slavery would be allowed or banned in future territories.
5. No. It only delayed the fight about slavery and the problem continued to grow.

Teacher's Guide

- Preview key vocabulary: compromise, Congress, slavery, territory.
- Read aloud once before students read independently to support comprehension.
- Model how to locate answers in the passage by highlighting evidence.

Differentiation

- Allow partner reading or echo reading for developing readers.
- Provide sentence stems for Question 5 (e.g., "No, because...").
- Challenge advanced students to write an additional fact learned from class.

Engagement Ideas

- Use a quick map demonstration to show the 36°30' line.
- Have students underline the cause and circle the effect within the passage.

Extension Activities

- Students draw a simple timeline including Missouri and Maine joining the Union.
- Connect to later events: students predict what they think might happen next in history.