

5.1 Contextualizing Period 5

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____ **Total: 13 marks**

KEY WORDS context 背景 • reconstruction 重建时期

Objective

Build the skills to write the **context** 背景 for 1844-1877.

You must be able to:

- state the CED’s three key concepts for the period
- state what expansion did to regional divisions
- state exactly what the Union victory settled
- state exactly what it left unresolved

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ Three key concepts

KC-5.1: the United States became more connected with the world, pursued an expansionist foreign policy and emerged as a destination for migrants. **KC-5.2: intensified by expansion and deepening regional divisions**, debates over slavery and other issues led the nation into civil war. **KC-5.3:** the Union victory and the contested reconstruction of the South **settled the issues of slavery and secession, but left unresolved many questions about the power of the federal government and citizenship rights**.

■ Expansion and division

The CED makes expansion the intensifier. Each new territory forced the question of whether slavery would go there, so growth converted an existing disagreement into a recurring crisis.

■ Settled

Slavery and secession. Two questions, definitively closed by the war’s outcome.

■ Unresolved

The power of the federal government and citizenship rights. These are the questions periods 6 to 9 keep returning to, which is why the CED states them here.

2 Practice

2.1 State the CED’s three key concepts for the period. [3]

2.2 State what the Union victory settled and what it left unresolved. [2]

2.3 Expansion intensified division.

(a) Explain the mechanism. [2]

(b) State why the unresolved questions are stated here. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 The CED says the war settled the issues of [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A slavery and secession
B federal power
C citizenship rights
D immigration

3.2 The unresolved questions concern federal power and [1]

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| A | B |
| C | D |
- A citizenship rights
B the tariff
C foreign policy
D railroads

3.3 A country doubles its territory while divided over one institution.

(a) State what each new territory forces.

[1]

(b) Explain why this makes crisis recurrent.

[2]
