TASK #14 – Slave Narratives

Standard: C.U.2.7 (SWBAT Analyze the causes and effects of the institution of slavery)

Description: For this task you will choose a picture from a selection of images that represent slavery in Antebellum America. Each picture shows an individual(s) experiencing slavery. Based on the knowledge you have already acquired about slavery in America at this time, you will use your image as inspiration to write a slave narrative for this person/people. You will assume the role of that person/people and write from their perspective. You will be given a series of questions to guide you when writing your narrative. You will need to consider the arguments being made for and against slavery at that time and how regional differences would have impacted the life of a slave. Your narrative should be a minimum of one page, typed, double spaced.

Guiding Questions (Use a minimum of 4 questions to guide your narrative):
- How did you become a slave?
- What is a typical day like for you?
- How does it feel to be someone’s property?
- What kind of work do you do for your owners?
- How do your owners treat you?
- What are your living quarters like?
- How do you spend your free time?
- What possessions do you have, if any?
- How do you see the rest of your life unfolding?
- What do you think freedom would feel like for you?

Criteria:
- Historical Accuracy
- Content
- Organization
- Mechanics

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