# BACKGROUND INFO



#### WARM-UP 12/2/19

(Find your sheets from last week)

- Me Monday Letter "K"
  - Pick a topic and explain what it means to you



#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Find a partner & both get computers
- 2. I'll assign you a topic
- 3. Do some internet searching & put together (maybe a PP slide):
  - a. 1 historic image (historic, NOT modern)
  - b. 3 bullet points of information (directly related to your picture or about your general topic)
- 4. Email me & be prepared to share tomorrow (for points!)



#### WARM-UP 12/3/19

- •What do you know about the Civil War?
  - Why did people want to fight? How did it influence the country? What came out of it? Attitudes we're still dealing with today?



#### STARTING INFO:

- Mark Twain = Samuel Clemens
  - Lived: 1835 1910
- The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
  - Published: 1884
  - Style: Southern Regionalism
  - Set BEFORE the Civil War, when slavery was still legal



#### HOW THIS'LL WORK:

- We'll go in order down of the topic list
  - Be ready when it's your turn.
- While you present:
  - Speak clearly so your classmates can hear.
- While you listen: TAKE NOTES
  - Especially if I add any supplementary info.
  - Be respectful. Otherwise, you will lose points.



#### MARK TWAIN & HUCK FINN

- 1. Mark Twain childhood:
  - a. Grew up in Hannibal, MO = model for "St. Petersburg" in *Huck Finn*. Family was Middle Class and owned some slaves.
- 2. Mark Twain steamboat captain:
  - a. Loved steamboats, which were used for entertainment, trade, and transportation up and down the Mississippi River
- 3. Mark Twain life in the 1860s
  - a. Was in the Confederate Army for a couple weeks before leaving to go West.



- 4. Mark Twain author status:
  - a. Famous in own time but terrible with money. Wore white suits and loved to get recognized.
- 5. Mark Twain duel with James Laird in 1864:
  - a. Duels were illegal but sometimes fought as a way of defending one's honor.
- 6. Huck Finn original reception:
  - a. People loved *Tom Sawyer* and wanted a sequel. Originally enjoyed but criticized for "crude" behavior by Huck.
- 7. Huck Finn modern reaction:
  - a. Banned for use of "n" word.
  - b. Also considered THE Great American Novel.



#### SLAVERY

- 9. Slavery Fugitive Slave Laws
  - a. Passed in 1793 & 1850. Compelled citizens to assist with capture of runaway slaves. North appeasing the South. VERY dangerous to be a runaway slave



#### CIVIL WAR & RECONSTRUCTION

- 11. Civil War Northern view of the war
  - a. Thought it would end quickly. More people and machinery. Initially about keeping the "Union" together.
- 12. Civil War Southern view of the war
  - a. Motivated by intense pride and loyalty to their way of life. Southern economy depended on slave labor.
- 13. Reconstruction "40 acres and a mule"
  - a. Proposal by Sherman that freed former slaves be given supplies to start a new life. Never happened. (Broken promise of reparations.)



#### RECONSTRUCTION

- 14. Reconstruction impact on freed African Americans
  - a. Some increased ed. and leadership. Many sharecroppers on former plantation land. Segregation and Jim Crow laws.
- 15. Reconstruction Carpetbaggers
  - a. Businessmen from the North who traveled down (carrying carpetbag suitcases) to profit off the destroyed South.
- 16. Reconstruction impact on white southerners
  - a. Bitter about defeat. No guide offered for adjusting to new life. Rise in racism, segregation, and Ku Klux Klan.



## "UNCHAINED MENORIES"



#### WARM-UP: 12/4/19

- Word: Stereotypes
- Write: Meaning
  - What happens when we impose stereotypes on people? When we make sweeping assumptions about them?



#### NOTES

- Note a couple examples under each topic
- You'll turn these in tomorrow when the movie is done
- REMEMBER, this is set-up info you'll need for next semester



#### WARM-UP 12/5/19

- ACT Reading Tip:
  - Remember literary terms to know what questions are asking.
- (We'll do a practice next week)
  - If a question asks about inferred meaning, perspective, mood, tone, or irony, would you know what those mean?



# SOUTHERN REGIONAL



#### WARM-UP: 12/6/19

- •Mark Twain is one of the most widely quoted authors. For example:
  - "The human race has one really effective weapon, and that is laughter"
- •Tell me your best (school appropriate) joke and explain why it makes you laugh.
- •Turn in Warm-Up sheets!



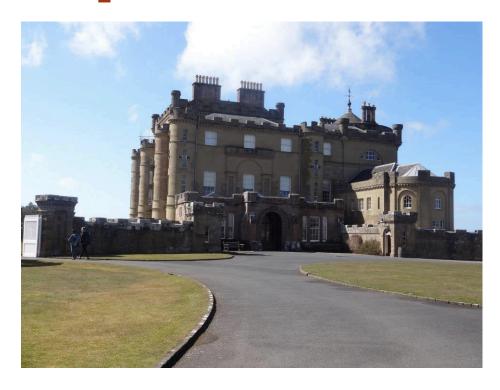
#### SOUTHERN REGIONALISM

- Descriptions of place more rural lifestyle
- Distinct dialects location & social status
- Social status different levels of education & wealth
- Slavery & Civil War created ongoing issues



## SECOND SONS

#### **European Manors**



#### **Southern Plantations**





### SECOND SONS (COULDN'T INHERIT IN EUROPE)

- Settled in South & brought traits of old life:
  - European Romanticism
    - (remember the "Declaration")
  - Focus on family pride and titles
  - Southern Plantations
    - (Importance of family in big house in charge of big crop-producing land)
  - Need for serfs (slaves) to work land



Write this down!

#### SOUTHERN CASTE SYSTEM

- White plantation owners
- White farmers
- White business owners
- White laborers
- Anyone not white and male



#### LEARNING FROM HUCK FINN

- This is a tough book
  - It's worth teaching because everything you can learn from it.
  - A 13-year-old trouble-maker learns to think for himself.
- HOWEVER, you need to show maturity as we discuss
  - You might be offended, but we won't humiliate anyone.
  - You will read the "n"-word, but we WILL NOT say it in class.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12/2 History Research	12/3 History Presentations	12/4 Southern Region	12/5 "Unchained Memories"	12/6 "Unchained Memories"
12/9 Reading CSA Final Study Guide	12/10 Black Stereotypes	12/11 Black Stereotypes	12/12 "Decay of the Art of Lying"	12/13 Hero's Journey & Huck Preview
12/16 Review LATE WORK DUE	12/17 Review	12/18 Finals (1st, 2nd, 5th)	12/19 Finals (6th, 7th, 5th)	12/20 Finals (3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> )

