

US1.9a

Cultural, economic, and constitutional differences between the North and the South eventually resulted in the Civil War.

Issues that divided the nation

Slavery

While there were several differences between the North and the South, the issues related to slavery increasingly divided the nation and led to the Civil War.

Cultural

The North was mainly an urban society in which people had jobs.

The south was primarily an agricultural society in which people lived in small villages on farms and plantations

Because of their cultural differences, people of the North and South found it difficult to agree on social and political issues

Economic

The North was a manufacturing region, and its people favored tariffs that protected factory owners and workers from foreign competition.

Southerners opposed tariffs that would cause prices of manufactured goods to increase, Planters were also concerned that England might stop buying cotton from the South if tariffs were added.

Constitutional

A major conflict was "states rights" versus a strong central government.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the causes and results of the Civil War by
a) describing the cultural, economic, and constitutional issues that divided the nation.