

History 117

Slave Narrative Map

Due by Friday, November 11, 2016

Objective

Students are required to embed a Google map, which they've designed, within a short descriptive blog post about an American slave and his or her published memoir. The essays or blog posts (600 – 800 words) should describe how the life experiences of the enslaved subject help to illustrate some key points about the institution of American slavery. The blog posts should include citations to leading secondary sources.

Assignments Details

- Each map should contain 8-10 place marks that each includes brief excerpted text from the published narrative (properly cited) along with supporting images or video clips (properly credited). The place marks should be positioned in correct geographical position and should be arranged in chronological order on the left-hand navigation column.
- Models and video tutorials for the maps are available at the Dickinson Survey for American History (Maps)
- Select your placemarks carefully in order to convey the life story and key narrative episodes of the subject's autobiography as well as key insights about American slavery in general. Yet also keep in mind that it will help increase the appeal of your map if you have some geographic diversity in the location of your placemarks.
- Make sure to research multiple secondary sources for your short essay post (including materials from the course syllabus). Use the online library catalog and database finder as starting points. Pay special attention to databases such as America: History & Life, JSTOR, and Google Books, for important leads on secondary sources. Also make sure to include (and properly credit) at least one image with your text.
- Primary source material for this project should come exclusively from [North American Slave Narratives](#) at the Documenting the American South website.
- Late maps will be penalized 5 points per day.