

**Primary Sources**  
**Follow the directions for the theme you have chosen**

**1) Gender Roles**

**Discuss the role that women played at this time. Women were the mothers, they played the MORAL characters, and they occupied the private sphere. How were women who occupied the public sphere perceived? How did women influence the people around them?**

**Characters – Mrs. Shelby, Mrs. Bird, Eliza, Ophelia, Cassy**

Click here to open your source: [http://xroads.virginia.edu/~ma02/harris/utc/lesson1\\_stanton.html](http://xroads.virginia.edu/~ma02/harris/utc/lesson1_stanton.html)  
What were women asking for? What was their defense?

**2) Anti Slavery**

**Discuss the hardships of slavery for African Americans. What did you learn from the book about slavery and the pain and suffering the victims of slavery had to live through?**

Click here to open your source: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/aia/part4/4h3438t.html>  
Describe the story in your paper. Make sure to relate Jacob's story to Tom, Eliza, Topsy, or Harry.

**3) Religion**

**Discuss how Uncle Tom's Cabin is an allegory. Discuss how Tom represents Jesus. Discuss how slavery and Christianity do not seem to fit together. Where do we see Christianity in Uncle Tom's Cabin.**

Click here to open your source: <http://jefferson.village.virginia.edu/utc/christn/titlefr.html>  
Relate the song to Tom and his actions in chapters 38 and 40. Use lines from the song and make a direct comparison.