



### Text Dependent Questions for

## Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass

1. In lines 1-43, Douglass tells the story of an early encounter with Mr. Covey. What details from the passage tell you that Mr. Covey is a cruel man?
2. Reread lines 44-52. What was it like for a slave working on the Covey Plantation. Cite details from the text to support your answer.
3. Which of Douglass's details do you find to be the most powerful? Cite specific lines or paragraphs with the text and explain what that portion is so powerful.
4. In what ways is this selection persuasive? Who is Douglass's intended audience? What is the persuasive point that Douglass is trying to get across. Cite text evidence to support your answer.
5. Who is Douglass's audience? Cite at least two examples of Douglass's diction that are specifically for this audience. Then explain how these examples prove both his purpose and his audience.
6. What is Douglass's tone? Cite at least two text examples that reveal this tone. How does Douglass's tone relate to his purpose?