Reading Guide for: 7.1.2 Two Economic Systems Develop

CQ#1: Why did the Civil War happen? What were the causes?

Instructions: Use information from chapter 7 section 1, "Regional Economies Create Differences", to respond to the following prompts. (HINT: You'll find all the information under the subheading, "Two Economic Systems Develop".

- (1) Following the War for Independence, what was the basis of America's economy?
- (2) Where in the United States did industrialization first take hold? Why there?
- (3) Why was slavery dying out in the north by the late 1790s? (2 Reasons)
- (4) What was the "cotton gin"? (See "Science & Technology" box)
- (5) How did the invention of the cotton gin affect cotton farming?
- (6) Why did slavery become stronger in the south?