

## What is the lasting legacy of slavery in the U.S.?

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Excerpts from the introduction and section 1 (Slavery, Power, and the Human Cost, pp. 1-9) of "[A Brief History of Slavery](#)" help answer the supporting question. Text dependent questions:

1. What made the institution of slavery in colonial America different from previous methods of forced labor?
2. How did the Roman Catholic Church contribute to the establishment and expansion of slavery in North America and the enslavement of West African people?
3. Summarize the accomplishments of Ana Njinga. Why do you think her life story and accomplishments are not more readily known and taught in American schools?
4. Describe at least three ways that enslaved persons were tortured and dehumanized, beginning with the forced passage from their "home in Africa to the New World."
5. Describe at least three historic examples of ways that enslaved Africans and their descendants resisted their enslavement.