

Fanny Seward: Activity 1

Answer the following questions after reading the first chapter of the Fanny Seward story.

Building Historical Context: Connecting the story to history

1. What was Auburn like in the 1860s? How was it different from the way it is today?
2. What do you know about Abraham Lincoln? How would you describe him based on what you currently know about him?

Building Empathy: Understanding others' thoughts and feelings

3. Who is your favorite character in this chapter? How would you describe him/her?
4. How do you think that Fanny feels about each of her siblings? Why do you think so?

Building Literary Understanding: Strengthening reading skills

5. Choose a word or phrase you are unfamiliar with in this chapter. Using context clues, how might you define the word/phrase?
6. Choose an interesting sentence in this chapter. What is the author trying to convey?
7. What do you think this story will be about?