



Thomas Nast's Political Cartoons (8.11.1)

Background:

Political cartoons assist historians in understanding the context of events. Thomas Nast was a famous cartoonist during Reconstruction. He drew cartoons for Harper's Weekly, a northern magazine.

Prompt:

How did Northern attitudes toward freed African Americans change during Reconstruction?

Task:

In a well thought out response:

- State a claim in response to the prompt, using the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Support your claim using at least three pieces of evidence from the documents.
 - Be sure to explain why the evidence you selected supports your claim.
- Incorporate an additional piece of evidence that argues against your claim.
 - Use this additional piece of evidence as the basis for a counterclaim