



## Slavery in the Constitution (8.2.3)

### **Background:**

The Constitutional Convention was a time of great debate. The delegates, each representing individual states fought to protect their individual interests as they worked to create a new government that worked to preserve the interests of the collective.

### **Prompt:**

Why did the Founding Fathers keep slavery in the Constitution?

### **Task:**

In a well thought out response:

- Write a thesis in response to the prompt.
- Use the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Write an explanation of your thesis based on conclusions reached from reading the documents.