**The making of an institution**: issues related to this topic ranges from the introduction of the first group of Africans in 1619 to the enslavement of the black race; the enslavement went through a long process during the colonial period as well as after independence (colonial charters, , westward expansion, cotton agriculture,etc)

1. **Slave codes:**  a topic which looks into slave codes ( laws relating to slavery and enslaved people which differed from one state to another)
2. **The life of slaves:** a topic which looks into the daily life of slaves on the plantation. (3)
3. **Slave rebellion:** deals with the most significant revolts organized by slaves (Stono Rebellion, Gabriel Prosser’s rebellion, Denmark Vesey’s uprising, Nat Turner’s revolt, the Underground railroad, etc).
4. **White abolitionism:** looks into the movement led by whites to put an end to slavery in the South.(William Lloyd Garrison, Harriet Beecher Stowe, John Brown
5. **Slavery in the Political Debate:** how slavery became an important issue that accompanied all the major events the country went through (Declaration of independence, the drafting of the Constitution, the Missouri Compromise of 1820, the Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854, Amendments to the Constitution, etc)
6. **American Indians and Westward Expansion** (Pushing the Indians Westward)

What factors, forces or reasons caused Indians to move from one geographic area to another? Conflict and Consequences of "Western Expansion" (The Indian Removal Act)

1. **The Mexican and American War**: a topic that looks into the Mexican and American War in details as well as the American-Mexican relations at the time.
2. **The Emancipation Proclamation**: a topic that looks into the historical context of the Emancipation Proclamation, its content, consequences, significance…etc
3. **Bleeding Kansas**: a topic that looks into the historical context of the event known as ‘Bleeding Kansas’in details, its consequences, significance… etc
4. **Dred Scott v Sandford:** a topic that looks into the Dred Scott v Sandford Case with all its proceedings, significance, effects …etc