

Character Opinions

This activity accompanies chapter 5 from *Uncle Tom's Cabin* as told to children by Harriet Beecher Stowe, told by H.E. Marshal, record number 4860.

Activity Title: Character Opinions

Description: The students will create an opinion about a character (are they mean, happy, silly etc.) and give proof for why they think the character is that way, using the text.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Opinion/Proof

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will state an opinion about a character in the chapter and support his/her opinion with proof from that chapter.

Materials:

- *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, chapter 5, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencils
- Opinion/Proof template (below)

Procedures:

Read the fifth chapter of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* or have the students read it on their own. Explain to the students that we can learn a lot about the characters of the story from what the author tells us, directly and indirectly. Have the students choose a character in this chapter and create an opinion about the character (is he/she mean, aggressive, persevering, kind etc.). Give an example to the students, if necessary. Next, have them fill out the opinion/proof template below. Have them share their character opinions with a partner.



NAME _____

DATE _____

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Directions: Choose a character from chapter 5. Write down an opinion about that character. Find evidence from the text supporting your opinion. Share with a partner.

OPINION

PROOF/EVIDENCE

