

John Brown

**After the election
of Abraham
Lincoln**

Harriet Tubman

**Virginia's
response**

Abolitionists:

Which of these events do you think had the greatest effect on the Virginia's decision to secede? Be prepared to explain your answer.

VS.7a Events leading to secession and war

Nat Turner

**Events
Leading
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and War
Mini-Book**

By _____

How to Make a Mini-Book

1. Fold a 8½ x 11” piece of paper in half (hamburger fold).
2. Fold it again into half (another hamburger fold).
3. Fold it in half one more time to make the small book (still another hamburger fold). This last fold is hard to crease. I roll it a bit first in the middle, then crease, to make it easier.
4. Open it all the way up. You will have 8 sections.
5. Fold it again (hamburger fold) so the fold is to the top.
6. Beginning at the fold, use scissors to cut down the center, stopping in the middle after just one panel, so you have a slit in the middle.
7. Open up, refold (hotdog fold). Crease it really well.
8. Holding the extreme left and right outside panels, Push your hands together until you create a window in the middle. At this point, I always tell kids to “look through the spy window to see me.”
9. Still holding the right and left edges, bring your hands completely together until your thumbs touch, to “close the window”. If you look from the top, you are now holding an X.
10. Next, collapse the X by folding the panels together to make the book. You will have 6 inside pages to this “mini-book.”

Most people need to have this demonstrated to have success!

Answer Key: taken from page 27 of the 2008 Curriculum Framework

Events leading to secession and war

- **Nat Turner** led a revolt against plantation owners in Virginia.
- **Abolitionists** campaigned to end slavery.
- **Harriet Tubman** supported a secret route that enslaved African Americans took; it became known as the “Underground Railroad.”
- **John Brown** led a raid on the United States Armory (Arsenal) at Harpers Ferry, Virginia. He was trying to start a slave rebellion. He was captured and hanged.
- After **Abraham Lincoln** was elected president of the United States in 1860, some southern states seceded from the Union and formed the “Confederate States of America.”
- Later, Virginia seceded and joined them.