

Further Suggested Speeches and Historical Documents

Speeches by Abraham Lincoln

[Peoria Speech](#), October 16, 1854, in which Lincoln articulates why he disagrees with the Kansas-Nebraska Act.

[Cooper Union Address](#): February 27, 1860, in which Lincoln describes what he believes are the anti-slavery intentions of the signers of the Constitution.

[Gettysburg Address](#): November 19, 1863, in which Lincoln articulates that abolition is a primary goal of the Civil War.

Further Writings from Frederick Douglass

January 26, 1849 – [On Colonization](#)

February, 1861 – [“The Union and How to Save It”](#)

The University of Rochester’s [Frederick Douglass Project](#)

Legislation

[Second Confiscation Act](#), in which Congress can fine or imprison anyone in rebellion against the Union (members of the Confederacy), and if they are enslavers, their enslaved people will be freed.