Challenges to Slavery

Reading Tip: As you read, notice how the text is organized and look for recurring patterns. Create an outline of the patterns.

Reading for Accuracy DIRECTIONS: Use your textbook to decide if a statement is true or false. Write T or F in the blank. If a statement is false, rewrite it to make it true.

1. The Republican Party was formed by Free-Soilers along with antislavery Whigs and Democrats.

2. During the 1850s, the Democrats were increasingly becoming a Northern party.

3. The American Party, also called the Know-Nothings, was against immigrants.

4. Dred Scott claimed he should be free because he had escaped from his owner in the South.

5. The Supreme Court's decision in the Dred Scott case effectively meant that the Constitution protected slavery.

6. The Freeport Doctrine held that people could exclude slavery by refusing to pass laws that protected the rights of slaveholders.

7. John Brown led a raid on Harpers Ferry to capture slaveholders.