Hands-On • Antebellum Diamonds

Compromise of 1850
States have more power than the national government
Attempt by South Carolina to declare federal law null and void
Fugitive Slave Act
Passed
South Carolina Secedes

Califonia becomes a state - Stronger Fugitive Slave Act Passed

Confederate

Secession

Nullification Crisis

Uncle Tom's Cabin

Anti-Slavery book written by Harriet Beecher Stowe

African-American abolitionist leader
Frederick Douglass

African-American abolitionist leader
Abraham Lincoln

President of the U.S. during the Civil War

Wilmot Proviso
Tried to block slavery in the territories gained from Mexico

Secession

Massachusetts Senator

To formally leave

Sectionalism

Support of and loyalty to a region of a country

Secession

To formally leave

States Rights

Sectional manle of the South

John C. Calhoun

Violent conflict in Kansas over whether or not to become a slave state

Bloody Kansas

The Great Compromiser and Sectional Leader of the West

Henry Clay

To formally leave

Slaves are declared as property by the federal government

Dred Scott v. Sanford

Slaves are declared as property by the federal government

Daniel Webster

Massachusetts Senator

Sectional Leader of the North

Sectiornalism

Support of and loyalty to a region of a country

Election of 1860
Lincoln becomes President

South Carolina Secedes
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This strategy helps students build their vocabulary skills through an interactive matching game.

**See Grade-Level specific information.**

**Prep Work:**
- Fill in the text boxes in the template with a term on one side and the definition on the opposite side. (Except Edges)
- Run off the diamond puzzle pieces on card stock.
- Cut out each of the diamond pieces.
- Place pieces in a zip-lock baggie.

**Strategy:**
- Have students spread out the pieces in front of them.
- Explain to students that they are to match the term with the definition.
- Explain to students that some pieces will require them to make 4 correct matches.
- Explain to students that their completed puzzle will be in the shape of a six-sided (Hexagon) polygon like the example below.

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![Hexagon diagram](image)