Create Connections: Vocabulary Sheet

abolish: to end

abolished: ended

abolition: the end of the slave trade and slavery

abolitionists: people who campaigned for

the end of slavery

activist: someone who campaigns to bring

about change

adoption: legally taking another person's child and bringing them up as your own

apprenticeship: a system of employment to learn a skilled practical trade from an employer

blockaded: closing off a place to prevent goods or people from entering or leaving

boycott: refusing to have commercial or social dealings with (a person, organisation, or country) as a punishment or protest

brig: a type of ship

cargo: goods carried commercially on transport

such as a ship

caricature: an image of a person when characteristics are exaggerated for comic or grotesque effect

census: an official count or survey of a population

chattel: a personal possession (in this case an enslaved African being the possession)

colonial: control over another country, occupying it with settlers, and exploiting it economically

colony/ colonies: an area or areas where one country has taken control over another country, occupying it with settlers and exploiting it economically

commemoration: tribute, remembrance, celebration

commercial centre: a place or city carrying out economic or industrial activities and trading goods and money

commissioned: an order for something to be produced

compensation: the payment of money in exchange for something that has been lost or damaged or for some inconvenience Confederate: eleven southern states in America which allowed slavery and which fought against the north to continue slavery

consignment: a batch of goods transported from one place to another

consumption: the eating of something

controversial: causing or likely to cause controversy – debate or disagreement when people hold very different opinions

cooperative: a firm or business owned and run jointly by its members, with profits or benefits shared among them

crude: offensively coarse or rude

currency: a system of money

descended: came from people of the past

descendants: relatives of people (ancestors) from the past

discriminated: treated unfairly, especially on the grounds of race, gender or age

docked: came into an enclosed area of water in a port for loading/unloading goods

dominated: had a commanding or controlling influence over

dominion: an overseas territory of a sovereign or government

elected: has been chosen to do something or to fill a certain role, especially to a public office.

election: a formal procedure whereby a person is chosen to do something or to fill a certain role, especially to a public office

Empire: an extensive group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch or ruling authority

engraving: the process or art of cutting or carving a design on a hard surface to make a print

equality: having the same rights in social or economic terms

export: sending goods or services to another country for sale

exported: sent goods or services to another country for sale

exports: commodities, articles, or services sent to another country for sale

extinction: end, disappearance, extermination

foremast: the mast (a tall upright post on a boat, generally carrying a sail) nearest the front end of a ship

founded: created

French Revolution: a period (1789–1799) of radical social and political change in the history of France, during which the French royal family was overthrown and a new type of government based on Enlightenment principles of citizenship and equal rights for all was formed in its place

indentured labourers: people who were under contract to an employer for a fixed period of time, typically three to seven years, in exchange for transportation and sometimes the promise of land or money at the end

Industrial Revolution: a period in the late 1700s and first half of the 1800s when major changes in agriculture, manufacturing and transportation changed ways of working from doing things by hand to using machinery which started with the textile industry

ingenuity: the quality of being clever, original, and inventive

integral: a key part of something, necessary to make a whole complete

justify: to give or to be a good reason for

literary: concerning the writing, study, or content of literature

literature: written works including books, poems, articles etc.

lordling: a minor or insignificant lord, master or ruler

manufactured: something made, especially on a large scale using machinery

mechanisation: equip with or make reliant on machines

merchant: someone who makes money from selling goods

middlemen: people who buy goods from producers and sell them to retailers or consumers, or arrange business or political deals between other people

moral: concerned with the principles of right and wrong and good or bad behaviour

Negro: a word meaning black used to describe a person of African descent created and used during transatlantic slavery which is now considered racist

pacifism: the belief that disputes should be settled by peaceful means and that war and violence are unjustifiable

patent: a government licence giving an individual or body the sole right to make, use, or sell an invention for a set period

petition: a formal written request, typically signed by many people, usually to try and change something

plantation: a large estate on which commercial crops such as coffee, sugar, and tobacco are grown

policies: a course of actions adopted or proposed by an organisation or individual to achieve a certain goal

portrayed: described or represented in a particular way

preacher: someone who delivers a religious talk to an assembled group of people

prejudice: an opinion that is based on assumption, not reason or experience and often negative

processed: a series of actions to change one thing into another, for example, transforming cotton picked from a plant into cotton fabric used for clothing or cocoa beans into chocolate

prohibited: stopped, prevented by law or rule

propaganda: information, sometimes of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view

radiant: bright, glowing

rebellion: an act of resisting or fighting against an established government or ruler, defying authority or control

reign: to rule, be in power of a people or a country

relief: financial or practical aid given to those in special need or difficulty

repatriated: a person or thing being sent back to the country where they originated

reproduction: a copy of a work of art, especially a print made of a painting

revolts: acts of rebellion or fighting against

something

revolutionise: change something radically

or fundamentally

ruleth: to rule over something

scholar: a specialist in a particular subject,

a distinguished academic

sermons: talks on a religious or moral subject, especially given during a church service

spindle: a narrow rounded rod with narrow ends, used in spinning to twist and wind fibres from a mass of wool

spirituals: religious songs which were created by enslaved African people in America

statesman: a skilled, experienced, and respected political leader or figure

stereoscope: a type of optical device with lenses that uses two images to create a 3D effect

stereotyped / stereotypical: an oversimplified idea of the characteristics which classify people or things into a certain smaller number of types

Union: northern states of America in favour of ending slavery in the 1861-1865 American Civil War

vagrancy: being without a home or job

verily: truly

vessels: ships or large boats

Yankee: A man coming from or fighting for the northern Union states of America (New York and the surrounding states)

yarn: thread which has been spun in to long thin lengths and is used for knitting, weaving, or sewing

yarn manufacturers: people who spun yarn

into cloth

yield: to give