Your teacher shared some of the findings from the 2014 Global Slavery Index.

What are the differences between slavery in the time of Uncle Tom’s Cabin and today?

How is escaping from slavery today different from escaping through the Underground Railroad?

George says, “I know very well that you’ve got the law on your side, and the power...”

How are law and power connected?

Both Chloe and Mrs. Shelby want to help Tom, but Mrs. Shelby is forbidden by her husband from working or interfering with his business. Mrs. Shelby is allowed to help only by granting Chloe permission to work.

In this case, who has the most power to get what they want?

Review the excerpt from the autobiography of the famous abolitionist and freed slave Frederick Douglass.

Why do you think Frederick says education and slavery are incompatible with one another?

What are some similarities between Frederick Douglass’ story about teaching himself to read and the slaves who learn to read in *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*?

Do you think Tom is better or worse off because of his education? Justify your answer.

Do you think Topsy will be better or worse off because of her education? Justify your answer.