

CHAPTER
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Section 3

GUIDED READING

The Birth of the Republican Party

A. As you read about political changes in the mid-19th century, fill out the chart below by writing answers in the appropriate boxes.

1834	The Whig Party is formed and then splits over the slavery issue.	
1848	The Free-Soil Party is formed.	→ 1. What did the Free-Soilers oppose? Why?
1854	The Know-Nothing Party, formed to promote nativism, is soon split over the slavery issue.	→ 2. What did the Know-Nothings oppose? Why?
	The Republican Party is formed.	→ 3. What did supporters of the Republican Party have in common?
1855	"Bleeding Kansas"	→ 4. What made the party strong?
1856	In the presidential election, Democrat James Buchanan defeats Republican John C. Frémont and the Know-Nothing candidate, Millard Fillmore.	→ 5. What did the election indicate about the Democrats?
		→ 6. What did the election indicate about the Republicans?