ILLUSTRATION

Photograph—Multiple Choice

Directions: This photograph, entitled "Slave family picking cotton in the fields near Savannah," depicts the working conditions experienced by many enslaved persons in the South. Use the photograph and your knowledge of U.S. history to answer the questions.



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- 1. Which is NOT an element of the photograph?
 - A large baskets of cotton
 - **B** a cotton field
 - C a cotton gin
 - D shoulder bags of cotton
- 2. What noticable contrast do you observe within the family in the photograph?
 - **A** their ages
 - **B** their work assignments
 - C their style of clothing
 - **D** None of the above

- 3. What would NOT be part of the description of the family in the photograph?
 - A worn and stained clothing
 - **B** wide-brimmed hats
 - **C** a child touching a basket of cotton
 - an adult talking to an overseer
- 4. After viewing this photograph, a northern viewer would probably conclude that slavery was
 - A harsh and oppressive.
 - **B** difficult but civilizing.
 - challenging but rewarding.
 - None of the above

Test Your Knowledge

How did descriptions of slavery such as that found in Uncle Tom's Cabin contribute to the growing division between North and South in the 1850s?