

# Freedom Train

## Graphic Novel Assignment

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**Story Summary:** Melissa's granny tells her a special story. In 1850 on a plantation in Maryland, USA, a young slave named Lizzie escapes with the help of her friend Elijah. Guided by the many people of the Underground Railroad, Lizzie makes her way to freedom in the Promised land- a town in Southern Ontario in Canada.

- 1) Name the THREE Real People from history mentioned at the start of this story.



- 2) Name the FOUR Fictional characters mentioned in the start of the story and in point form tell me who they are:

- 3) Using the timeline on the back cover, when do you think this story takes place and why?

4) Please define the following terms:

a. **Plantation**

b. **Underground Railway**

c. **Slavery**

5) Examine the "*Time Out*" section on page 13. Look at the illustration and notice what the slaves are doing while the white plantation owners look on. Describe what is happening in the black and white photograph that depicts a similar scene.

6) In Chapter 2, how did Elijah convince Lizzie that she could carry out the plan? Explain.

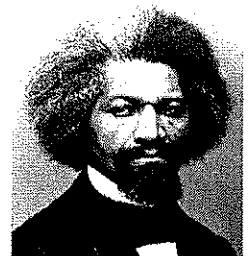
7) What kind of person in Marshall? How do you know? Explain.

- 8) In Chapter 3, how did the President of the United States make it more difficult to help runaway slaves? Explain.
- 9) Examine p. 29. Why do you think President Fillmore signed the bill that made it illegal to help runaway slaves? Explain your opinion.
- 10) What is a 'conductor' in this story?
- 11) In Chapter 4, why do you think Sarah and William Still wanted to help Lizzie and the other slaves?
- 12) Examine page 37... Describe how the three people below fought against slavery and made a difference for so many people:

1) *William Still*

2) *Harriet Beecher Stowe*

3) *Frederick Douglass*



13) In Chapter 5, describe how Lizzie saved herself from Marshall.



14) Describe the character and accomplishments of Harriet Tubman. Why do you think she was so influential during the American Civil War?

15) On the map below, show where the story took place and label it with important events in the story.

