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Hope & Freedom: Reactions to the Emancipation Proclamation

Short Answer Key

1. The Emancipation Proclamation was an order issued by Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863, declaring enslaved people in Confederate states free.
2. Some celebrated and ran away to Union lines, while others could not leave or did not hear about it right away.
3. It only applied to Confederate states, which ignored it. Slave-holding border states that were loyal to the Union were not affected.
4. Many joined the Union Army or worked as spies, scouts, and nurses.
5. The 13th Amendment, passed in 1865, made slavery illegal in the entire United States.

