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The Economics of Slavery in 1846

Directions: Using the site listed, problem solve to answer the following questions. Omit those slaves listed that do not have ages mentioned.

http://tides.sfasu.edu/AA18/SHHVI_10.php?culture=1&chrono=5&index=0

1. What was the total dollar amount Nathan Browning paid for slaves on his farm which were between the ages of 9-12 years of age? What is the average price for slaves in this age bracket? Show your work.

2. What was the total dollar amount Nathan Browning paid for slaves on his farm which were between the ages of 13-18 years of age? What is the average price for slaves in this age bracket? Show your work.

3. What was the total dollar amount Nathan Browning paid for slaves on his farm which were between the ages of 20-70 years of age? What is the average price for slaves in this age bracket? Show your work.

4. Make a graph showing the ages and the average prices of slaves based on the answers you found above. The x axis should be the ages and the y axis should list the prices.

5. Based on this graph, which age bracket was the most costly to Nathan Browning? Why do you think this was so?

6. How would you feel about having a price placed on your life and future? Explain.

7. How does our culture today value age and price paid for work, such as in sports or entertainment?

8. What is the difference between slaves and those mentioned in question # 7?