3/5 Compromise

* Slaves were counted as 3/5 of a person in regards to population of a state

(Population is used to determine # of Representatives in Congress)

* Southern states loved this compromise because it gave them more votes and power in Congress. Northern states disliked it and thought it was unfair.
* Ex: 100 slaves = 60 free persons

Missouri Compromise / The Compromise of 1820

* Established the 36° 30’ N line as the line of slavery in the U.S. for all new states and territories.
* Maine became a free state and Missouri became a slave state to keep the balance of power and number of slave/free states the same.

Compromise of 1850

* End of the slave trade in Washington, D.C. (but slavery was still allowed)
* Created the Texas and New Mexico border
* New Mexico could use popular sovereignty (people vote) to decide whether or not to be a slave or free state
* California enters the Union as a free state
* Fugitive Slave Act/Law passed