American Literature
*Freedom’s Main Line*
Discussion Questions

1. What were “Jim Crow” laws?

2. What was “Reconstruction”?

3. Describe the racial policies of Louisville's streetcar companies in 1870.

4. What character traits are revealed in the actions of the following people: the Fox brothers and Horace Pearce? Col. John H. Ward? Carey Duncan?

5. What effect did the U.S. Supreme Court's 1896 ruling in the case of Plessy v. Ferguson have on racial segregation in the South?

6. What distinguished the Louisville streetcar boycotts from similar protests in other cities?