

Aim: How did Lincoln's goal change?

Document #1: **A HOUSE DIVIDED**

"A *house divided* against itself cannot stand." I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved -- I do not expect the house to fall -- but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing, or all the other. Either the opponents of slavery will arrest the further spread of it, and place it where the public mind shall rest in the belief that it is in the course of ultimate extinction; or its advocates will push it forward, till it shall become alike lawful in all the States, old as well as new -- North as well as South

-Abe Lincoln, 1858

1. Explain Lincoln's position on the issue of slavery.

In this speech, Lincoln doesn't mention his
position on slavery, just that the country needs to
stop being divided.

2. Based on this speech what do you think Lincoln's immediate goal was when the Civil War began?

To keep the country together (preserve
the union)

Document #2: **THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION**

That on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and forever free; and the Executive Government of the United States, including the military and naval authority thereof, will recognize and maintain the freedom of such persons, and will do no act or acts to repress such persons, or any of them, in any efforts they may make for their actual freedom.

-Abe Lincoln, 1863

1. What did the Emancipation Proclamation do?

Freed all the slaves in the Confederate
states (not the 4 border states)

2. Based on this speech how did Lincoln's goal change during the Civil War?

The war is now about ending slavery.