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The Middle Passage

Directions: Complete the questions and analysis during the lecture, slideshow and discussion of the Middle Passage during class.

	Capture	Slave Forts and Regions of Departure	The Slave Ship	Resistance
Describe a detail about this part of the Middle Passage?				
What image from this part of the lecture and slideshow did you find the most impactful?				
How did this image or part of the discussion make you feel?				

Excerpts from The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano

Use page 90-91 to answer the questions below.

1. How was Equiano captured?
2. What kind of person did the kidnappers target? Why do you think that might be?
3. Why did Equiano not have the comfort of his sister anymore?
4. What types of emotions would these events have on a person?
5. Why did he refuse to eat? Why do you think his kidnappers made him eat?

Use the handout entitled "A Slave Describes the Middle Passage".

1. How does Vasa describe the hold below the decks?
2. What happened when Vasa refused to eat?
3. Why was the beating of a white crew member alarming to Vasa?
4. What do you think Vasa means by the hold being "intolerably loathsome"? Why is it like this?
5. What happened to shipmates that attempted to jump overboard? Why do you think they jumped?
6. Why did traders try to keep the slaves alive, yet at the same time treat them so poorly?