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Document A:

1. (*Close reading*) What are two things that Douglas warns will happen if Lincoln is elected?
2. (*Close reading*) Based on this document, what do you think Douglas's views were on African Americans?

Document B:

1. (*Contextualization*) Try to picture an outdoor debate in 1858. These debates lasted 3 hours (!) with each candidate speaking non-stop for at least an hour. Do you completely trust what either candidate will say in this setting? Why or why not?
2. (*Close reading*) Carefully read Lincoln's response to Douglas. On what points is Lincoln willing to agree with Douglas? On what points does he differ from Douglas?

Document C:

1. (*Sourcing*) This document is a personal letter from Lincoln to a friend. Does that make you trust the document? Why or why not?
2. (*Close reading*) What amazes Lincoln about the scene he sees on the boat?

Document D:

1. (*Corroboration*) How do Lincoln's views on slavery compare with John Bell Robinson?