

From Nationalism to Sectionalism**Focus on Writing****Differences Between the North and the South**

Based on what you have read in the chapter "From Nationalism to Sectionalism," write a paragraph that explains how differences between the North and the South developed in the early 1800s.

PREWRITING

1. **Consider the Assignment** What are the assignment instructions actually asking for? To help you answer that question, turn the topic into a question, such as, "How did differences develop between the North and the South in the early 1800s?" Think about what type of information you will need to answer this question.
2. **Ask Yourself Questions** Break down the assignment question you created. Ask yourself what specific information you will need to write your paragraph. Since the assignment says there were differences between the North and the South, you will need to search the chapter to find out what those differences were. Some good questions to ask include: What changes occurred in the South in the early 1800s? What changes occurred in the North in the early 1800s? How were the changes in the North different from the changes in the South, and how did these differences develop? The answers to these questions will form the core of your paragraph.
3. **Take Notes** In Section 2 of your textbook chapter, reread the material under the red heading "Conflict over States' Rights." Also, review Section 3 and Section 4 of your textbook chapter. As you do so, look for the answers to the questions you asked yourself. Use a graphic organizer like the one below to keep track of your answers.

Changes in the North	Changes in the South	How differences developed between the North and South