Questions Concerning the Electoral Map of 1860

1. Every four years the American people elect or re-elect a president. In most of these elections there are two major candidates with each representing one of the two dominant political parties. Who were the two candidates during the presidential election of 2004, and which political parties did they represent?

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2. Looking at the electoral map for the 2004 presidential election, how many votes (Pop. vote) did each of the two major candidates receive?

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3. How many candidates were there in the race for the Presidency in 1860 and what were their names?

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4. How many votes (Pop. vote) did each candidate receive in the 1860 election?

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5. What percentage (%) of the votes did each candidate receive?

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6. If 50% = one half, did the winner of the 1860 presidential election -- Abraham Lincoln -- receive half the votes, less than half the votes, or more than half the votes?

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7. After looking at the results of the presidential race of 1860, would you say that Lincoln was a popular or unpopular president in 1860? Why? Explain your answer.

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8. Do you think Lincoln would have received more votes had there been fewer people in the presidential race of 1860? Explain.