

## Causes of the Civil War

**Directions:** Using the chart of page 507, list the causes of the Civil War below. Then, think about which causes were the most important and rank them from 1-6 (1 being the most important; 6 being the least important). After you have ranked them, write one sentence explaining why you ranked each cause the way you did.

<u>Cause</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Reasoning</u>
<b>Conflict over slavery in territories.</b>		
<b>Economic differences between North and South.</b>		
<b>Failure of Congress to compromise.</b>		
<b>Election of Lincoln as president.</b>		
<b>Secession of Southern states.</b>		
<b>Firing on Fort Sumter</b>		