



PRIMARY SOURCE QUESTIONS



Use the speech on the page before to answer.

◆ HARD WORDS ◆

four score and seven 87 (a score is 20)

conceived in begun with

engaged in fighting

consecrate, hallow make holy

note notice

the last full measure of devotion their lives

in vain for nothing

brought forth started, created

proposition idea, belief

endure last

detract take away

nobly advanced bravely moved forward

resolve promise, decide firmly

perish die, disappear

◆ QUESTIONS ◆

1. "Four score and seven years ago" means 87 years before 1863. What year is that, and what happened then? What idea from that time does Lincoln repeat?

2. Why did people gather at Gettysburg on this day? Use the speech and the introduction.

3. Lincoln says "we can not dedicate ... this ground." Who has already made it holy, and how?

4. What is the "unfinished work" Lincoln asks the living to take up? Use Part 5 and the Turning Points reading.
