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1. "To be sold, on board the ship Bance Island ... negroes, just arrived from the Windward & Rice Coast," circa 1780s. *African American Odyssey*, Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division Washington, D.C., <u>http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/98503865/</u>.

Image #2. no longer available. See note on page 2. 2. "Great Sale of Land, Negroes, Corn, & Other Property!" November 24th, 1860. The Gilder Lehrman Collection, on deposit at the New-York Historical Society, New York (GLC00227), http://www.gilderlehrman.org/historynow/12_2004/pdf/poster4.pdf.

Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the advertisements while answering the questions below in order. The questions are designed to guide students into a deeper analysis of the source and sharpen associated cognitive skills.

Level I: Description

- 1. Name 3 things being sold at the auctions?
- 2. What year did the auctions take place?
- 3. Do the advertisements name prices?

Level II: Interpretation

- 1. Who would have read these advertisements?
- 2. The first advertisement says, "TO BE SOLD, on board the Ship *Bance Island*." What does this mean?

Level III: Analysis

- 1. Why was small pox mentioned in the slave auction advertisement?
- 2. Can you describe at least 3 feelings a slave being auctioned would have experienced on auction day?



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Gilder Lehrman Collection #: GLC00227
Author/Creator: Hare, Willis V. (fl. 1860)
Place Written: Charleston, South Carolina
Type: Broadside
Date: 24 November 1860
Pagination: 1 sheet ; 36.8 x 26.4 cm.
Summary of Content: Slave sale broadside. The Charleston estate sale was set for 2 January 1861. The sale advertised the estate of the deceased Hamilton Houston, noting that it included "91 likely negroes, some of which are blacksmiths and others carpenters!" Lists Willis V. Hare as the Administrator.
People: Hare, Willis V., fl. 1860.
Historical Era: National Expansion and Reform, 1815-1860
Keywords/Subjects: African American History;, Slavery;, Death;, Slave Life;
Sub Era: Age of Jackson