**ANSWERS**

Lesson 1 (pupils should have written in full sentences)

1a. Before they were sold, slaves were cleaned up by being washed down with water and given oil to rub into their skin to make them look shinier and healthier. Hot tar was rubbed into any sores or ulcers picked up while crossing the Atlantic in order to disguise them. The slaves would be very unhealthy after the conditions on the middle passage, and all of these ‘methods’ were made to make them ‘look’ healthier, when in fact they were very ill and traumatised by the whole experience.

1b. A ‘scramble’ auction was where the slave trader would set a fixed price for his slaves. At a given signal, usually a horn or a drumbeat, the buyers would rush into the cage and grab the slaves they liked best, hence the name ‘scramble’, they were ‘scrambling’ for the best slaves.

2a. According to source C, there were 3 slaves for sale.

2b. At a slave auction slaves were paraded in front of buyers and examined like cattle. They were then made to stand on an auction box and buyers would ‘bid’ for them. They were sold to the person who paid the most. Unhealthy, unsold slaves were left to die without food or water.

2c. ‘To be let’ means the slaves could be rented for a fee to work on their plantations, although they did not own them to keep forever.

2d. According to the poster, there were 11 slaves to be let.

2e. According to the poster, the hirer of a ‘let’ slave would be expected to provide food, clothes and medical insurance.

2f. I would expect Hannibal to fetch the highest price as he is younger than the other male and he is described as being an ‘excellent’ house worker and of ‘good character’. It seems he has more skills and being a male he would be thought to be stronger than a female. However, it would ultimately depend on what the buyer wanted or needed and how much they were willing to pay.

2g. Pupil’s own work, but they should talk about feeling nervous, anxious, sad, traumatised, scared, angry, disgusted etc.

3. The woman in the story says ‘slavery is terrible’ because she has been separated from her children as they have been sold to different buyers. The man who bought her would not tell her where her children were going because he know they would also be separated and sold to different people in different places. She would never see them again or know what happened to them. It has destroyed their family, with no hope of every being reunited again.

4a. The purpose of the branding tool was to burn his initials onto the slave, so that if they ever ran away they could be found and brought back to their owner. The owner would brand them because the slaves were very valuable ‘property’.

4b. The slaves were given new names so that they would start to forget about their old name, life and culture faster. If the slave had feelings towards their own life and history they might be more rebellious towards their owner and more upset and therefore not work as fast, so the slave owner wanted them to hurry up and forget about this and accept their new life as a slave, with no hope of ever going home.

Lesson 2

Pupil’s own work but it should include all of the success criteria included on the help sheet. Pupils could check this off and add more if needs be. I would expect he diary entry to be at least 3 paragraphs long.