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## 15.1 Slavery and the West

(pp. 436-440)

**READING CHECKS:** Answer each question as you read the text.

What is sectionalism?

• How was John C. Calhoun's proposal different from the Wilmot Proviso?

• How did the Compromise of 1850 affect the New Mexico Territory?

**KEY TERMS:** Define each term's meaning or significance in terms of the text.

- sectionalism
- fugitive
- secede
- abstain