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Slavery and Manumission Pretest

1. What is manumission?
2. What period in American history might this word have been used more frequently?
3. What region of the country would you have witnessed manumission?
4. Read and transcribe the following paragraph.

State of South Carolina
*To all to whom these Presents shall come
be seen or made known I Christopher Rogers of Charleston in the
State aforesaid send Greeting Know ye that I the said Christopher
Rogers for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred Pounds
Sterling to me in hand well and truly paid at or before the seal-
ing and Delivery of these presents and for divers other good causes and
considerations me thereunto especially moving have Manumitted*

5. The above paragraph is an introduction to a letter that was about to be written. After reading the paragraph, what do you think the letter is going to discuss?