THE CULT OF DOMESTICITY

FOLLOW-UP ASSIGNMENT

In the four passages in this lesson, at least two of the four principles of the Cult of Domesticity — piety, purity, submissiveness, and domesticity — are illustrated, either positively or negatively. In the graphic organizer below, describe if and how each principle is presented in the passages, and note whether it is presented as a positive or negative factor. Use the chart to compare and contrast the authors' viewpoints of these principles.

	PIETY	PURITY	SUBMISSIVENESS	DOMESTICITY
Fanny Fern [Sara Payson Willis]				
"How Husbands May Rule"				
in Fern Leaves from Fanny's Port-Folio				
1853				
	☐ Positive ☐ Negative			
Catherine Beecher				
"Peculiar Responsibilities of American Women"				
in A Treatise on Domestic Economy				
1842	☐ Positive ☐ Negative			
Harriet Beecher Stowe				
Uncle Tom's Cabin (ch. 9)				
1852				
	☐ Positive ☐ Negative			
Harriet Jacobs				
Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl (ch. 10)				
1860				
	☐ Positive ☐ Negative	☐ Positive ☐ Negative	☐ Positive ☐ Negative	□ Positive □ Negative