

USING VISUAL CUES Cut out the flash cards below and study the vocabulary words for this section.

Eli Whitney

proper noun

inventor of the cotton gin

cotton gin

noun

a machine that removed seeds from short-staple cotton

planters

noun

Large scale farmers who held more than 20 slaves (also called plantation owners)

cotton belt

noun

the region that grew most of the country's cotton

factors

noun

people who managed
the cotton trade between
southern planters and
their customers

**Tredegar
Iron Works**

proper noun

one of the most
productive iron factories
in the United States