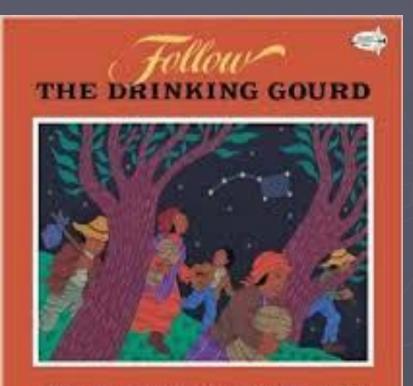
## Follow the Drinking Gourd

Song Lyrics (Click on picture to access song)



# Songs and quilts helped lead slaves to freedom.





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### Follow the Drinking Gourd! Follow the Drinking Gourd!

#### The Drinking Gourd = the Big Dipper

#### Points north

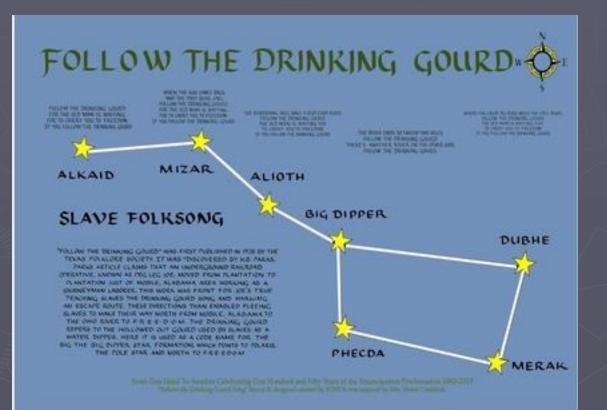


# For the old man is awaiting for to carry you to freedom.

Old Man is slang for a captain.

#### Old Man = Peg Leg Joe

### Where & When



When the sun comes back and the first quail calls

"Sun comes back" = Spring
the days get longer
"the first quail calls" = mid-April
quail breeding season

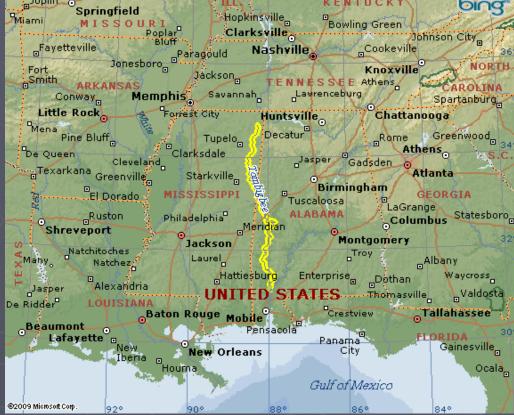


### Mobile, Alabama - North



# The riverbank makes a very good road,

#### "river" = Tombigbee river which is in Alabama



The dead trees will show you the way,

Charcoal mud markings were put on trees and rocks as a guide.

### Left foot, peg foot traveling on

The markings were of a human left foot and a round spot for the right foot

### Mississippi - Tennessee



The river ends between two hills. The Tombigbee River ends at Woodall Mountain.

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Egypt

## There's another river on the other side.

#### Cross to the left side of the Tennessee River.

Why? It had a more direct northern route to Ohio.
Springfield
Springfield
Ohio.



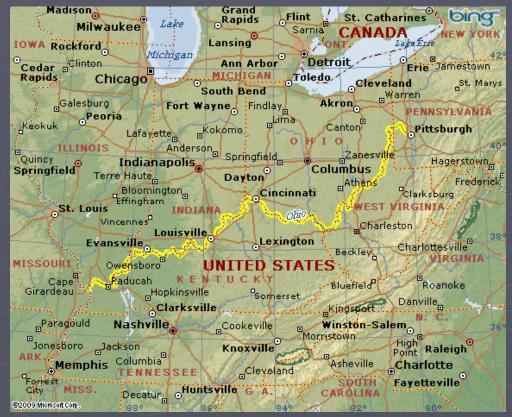
### End of the Route





## Where the great big river meets the little river

## Big river = Ohio River Little river = Tennessee River

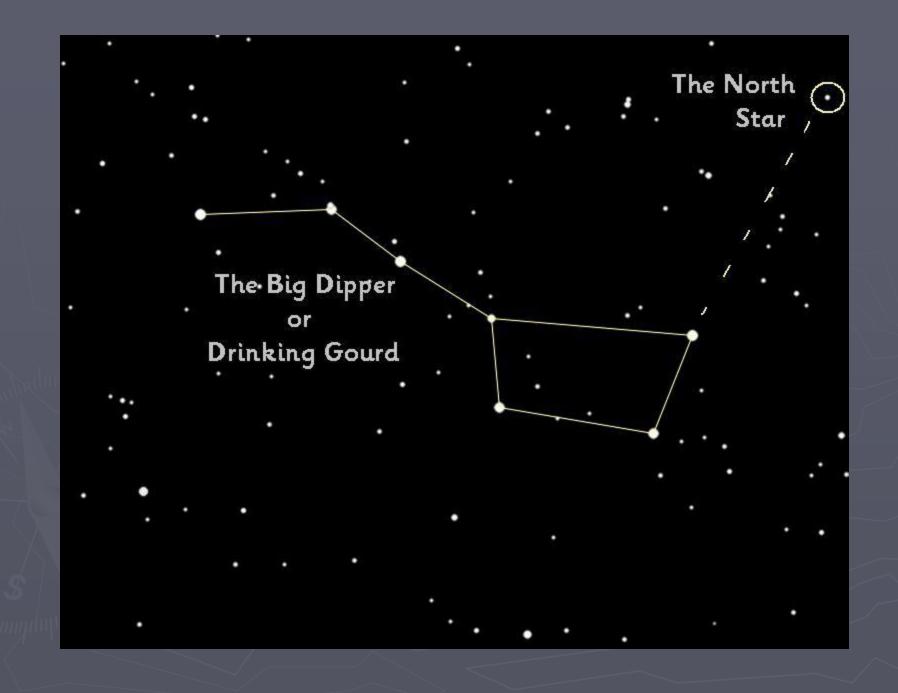


## The old man is awaiting for to carry you to freedom.

A guide will be waiting where the rivers meet. Springfield Indianapolis Terre Haute Dayton H I O Fairmont Frederick Columbus Frederick Columbus Frederick Columbus Frederick Columbus Frederick Parkersburg Portsmouth Charleston Evansville Carbondale Owensboro Carbondale Ca ALABAMA Philadelphia Jackson Meridian Montgomery Montgomery ALABAMA Macon Columbus Dublin GEORGIA Charleston 32 Troy<sup>D</sup> Albany Hinesville Savannah -32° Laurel ©2009 Microsoft Corp. 880













### **Tape Art Student Objective**: Create the Big Dipper and the North Star using tape on the wall or your table.

