Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass
Chapter 1

Directions: Answer the following questions in your own words.

1. Why doesn’t Frederick Douglass know how old he is? How old does he think that he is?
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2. What does Frederick Douglass know about his father? _______________________________
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3. Describe Frederick Douglass’s meetings with his mother. _____________________________
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4. According to Douglass, why is it harder for a slave when his master is his father? _________
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5. Describe Captain Anthony. _____________________________________________________
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6. What horrible thing happens to Aunt Hester that haunts Douglass? _____________________
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7. Why does Captain Anthony get so mad at Aunt Hester? ______________________________
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8. Where is Douglass hiding when Aunt Hester is punished? ____________________________
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9. How was Douglass protected from violence earlier in his life? _________________________
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