Pairing Questions for "The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass: Excerpts from Chapters 1 & 7" and "A Child Of Slavery Who Taught A Generation"

Directions: After reading the texts, choose the best answer for the multiple-choice questions below and respond to the writing questions in complete sentences.

1. Which statement best describes a central idea within both “The Narrative Life of Frederick Douglass: Excerpts from Chapters 1-7” and “A Child of Slavery Who Taught a Generation”? [RI.2, RI.9]
   A. Both Douglass and Cooper were denied an education during their childhood.
   B. African Americans were resilient and used education to elevate themselves.
   C. People must escape their surroundings in order to really learn and grow.
   D. Douglass and Cooper were both successful African American teachers.

2. Compare and contrast Cooper’s and Douglass’ education. How did education open up different futures for the both of them? [RI.9]