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| **Lincoln Principles:**  **Preach a VISION and Continually Reaffirm it**  #1.) Provide a clear, concise statement of the direction of your organization, and justify the actions you take.  #2.) Everywhere you go, at every conceivable opportunity, reaffirm, reassert, and remind everyone of the basic principles upon which your organization was founded.  #3.) Effective visions can’t be forced on the masses. Rather, you must set them in motion by means of persuasion.  #4.) Harness your vision through implementation of your own personal roving leadership style.  #5.) When you preach your vision, don’t shoot too high. Aim lower and the common people will understand you. They are the ones you want to reach – at least they are the ones you ought to reach.  #6.) When effecting renewal, call on the past, relate it to the present, and use them both to provide a link to the future.  #7.) You must realize that the process of renewal releases the critical human talent and energy necessary to insure success. |

**How do Lincoln’s Leadership Principles apply to teacher leaders in your school/district?**

*From Lincoln on Leadership by Donald Phillips*

A written model of Lincoln’s VISION….  
***The Gettysburg Address***

Use Lincoln’s *Gettysburg Address* as a model to reflect on and consider your vision of what social studies teaching should look like.

Directions: Use the graphic organizer to write your own reflections about: ***The Past, The Present, The Renewal & The Future*** related to your thoughts about social studies teaching.

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| The PAST |
| OUR TEACHING… where have we been? |
| The PRESENT |
| OUR TEACHING…where are we now? |
| The RENEWAL |
| OUR TEACHING…what unfinished work, are we dedicated to reviving? |
| The FUTURE |
| OUR TEACHING…how do we really want it to look? |