The Reconstruction Era

Chapter 2
Section 4
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Reunion 1865-1877

- Problem:
  - Civil War destroys the Souths' economy and infrastructure
  - Freed slaves and war victims need help
  - Southern states need to rejoin the Union

- Reconstruction- bringing the South back into the Union. *(Hug or a Slug??)*
Presidential Reconstruction

**Lincoln**
- 10% of the voters must swear loyalty to the Union.
- Must abolish slavery.
- Assassinated before he could enact his moderate plan.

**Johnson**
- Andrew Johnson - VP that became President after Lincoln.
- Majority of White men must swear loyalty.
- 13th Amendment - abolished slavery.
- Former Confederate officials may hold office.
Kanye West wants to abolish the 13th Amendment. He feels it is unnecessary. Do you agree with him?
Congressional Reconstruction

- **Radical Republicans** - favored punishment and harsh reorganization for the South.
- Required 50% of Southern voters to swear loyalty to the Union.
- Divided the South into 5 military districts.
- **14th amendment** - made African Americans equal citizens.
- **15th Amendment** - gave equal right to vote to (male) citizens.
President and Congress Clash

- Andrew Johnson - veto all the Radical Republican legislation.
- Congress tried to impeach Johnson.
- **Impeachment** - to bring charges against an official and remove them from office.
When Andrew Johnson fires his Secretary of War violating the Tenure Year of Office Act, the Radical Republican Congress tries to impeach him, but failed.
Connection #2

- During the election of 1876 Samuel Tilden won the popular vote, but lost the electoral college and the Presidency. Three times in our history this has happened. Do you believe it is time to do away with the electoral college?
Rebuild Their Lives

► **Freeman’s Bureau** - a federal agency designed to aid freed slaves and the South’s needs.
  - food, healthcare, public schools, etc.

► **Ku Klux Klan** - used to violence against African Americans to prevent them from voting

► **Sharecropping** - owner allows tenant to use land in exchange for a share of the crop.
BRAIN SNACK

Directions: Draw the chart below and record the causes and effects of the Civil War Reconstruction.

Causes

Effects

Reconstruction
The Freedmen's Bureau never had more than 1,000 agents working in the South, an area with a population of some 12 million people.
Reconstruction Ends

- Northerners lost interest in rebuilding the South and focused on other things.
- Election of 1876 ends Reconstruction - Hayes withdrawals federal troops from the South.
- **De jure segregation** - legal separation of the races.
- African American voting rights were slowly taken away.
These notes were about…
(Main Idea → Use the WIN strategy!)
(1-2 sent.)

- **W.I.N. strategy:**
  - **WHO/WHAT** - Figure out the most important *who* or *what* (topic)
  - **INFORMATION** - Figure out the most important *information* about the who or what
  - **NUMBER OF WORDS** - Write the main idea using the fewest possible *number* of words
Lecture Focus Question

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