Reconstruction: 1863 to 1877

GADOE Teacher Notes: Guided Reading, Vocabulary, and Review

Students will access the GADOE Teacher Notes and review the content for Standards #SSUSH 10a – 10d Read pages 97 – 105 to answer the questions.

Standards Covered:

SSUSH10 Identify legal, political, and social dimensions of Reconstruction.

- a. Compare and contrast Presidential Reconstruction with Congressional Reconstruction, including the significance of Lincoln's assassination and Johnson's impeachment.
- b. Investigate the efforts of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (the Freedmen's Bureau) to support poor whites, former slaves, and American Indians.
- c. Describe the significance of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth amendments.
- d. Explain the Black Codes, the Ku Klux Klan, and other forms of resistance to racial equality during Reconstruction.
- e. Analyze how the Presidential Election of 1876 marked the end of Reconstruction.

Guided Reading Questions:

- 1. What were the two approaches to Reconstruction policies following the Civil War? Which policy did Presidents Lincoln & Johnson favor? What about the Republicans in Congress?
- 2. What were the requirements that Southern, former Confederate states, had to meet according to the Ten Percent Plan?
- 3. What happened to President Lincoln on April 14, 1865? What was controversial about his Vice-President Andrew Johnson?
- 4. How did the Election of 1866 change the approach to Reconstruction? How did President Johnson respond to the legislation (laws) passed by the new Radical Republican Congress?
- 5. Why was President Johnson impeached? What was the verdict of his impeachment trial?
- 6. What were the requirements of former Confederate (Southern) states according to the First Reconstruction Act?
- 7. What was the role of the Freedmen's Bureau during Reconstruction? What was its fate?
- 8. Define the 13th Amendment
- 9. Define the 14th Amendment
- 10. Define the 15th Amendment
- 11. What were some examples of Black codes?
- 12. What was the role of the Klu Klux Klan during Reconstruction? What happened when to Blacks in the South when the military was pulled out in 1877?
- 13. How was the election of 1876 decided? Explain the Compromise of 1877
- 14. What role did the economy, the Panic of 1873, have on Northern support for Reconstruction?
- 15. What impact did the election of Rutherford B. Hayes have on the policies of Republican Reconstruction?