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# Reconstruction - Answer Key

*Read each question and circle the correct answer.*

1. The Civil War can best be described as

- ☒ A. devastating and bloody.
- B. one short battle.
- C. a fight over land.
- D. the result of miscommunication.

2. Which of these did not occur during the Reconstruction Era?

- A. Former slaves became US citizens.
- ☒ B. Landless Southern farmers became very rich.
- C. The president and members of Congress disagreed over the approach to the former Confederate states.
- D. Many former Confederate states passed laws to restrict the freedom of African Americans.

3. What was the federal agency that provided school, food, medicine and clothes to freed slaves in the South known as?

- A. The Freedom Union
- B. The Reconstruction Agency
- ☒ C. The Freedmen's Bureau
- D. The Department for Freed Slaves

4. Andrew Johnson became president right after

- A. Democrats and Republicans made a compromise.
- B. the first battle of the Civil War began.
- ☒ C. President Lincoln was assassinated.
- D. Ulysses S. Grant was impeached for treason.

5. Which of the following is true about President Johnson's plan for Reconstruction?

- A. It included harsh punishments for all former Confederate states.
- ☒ B. It was lenient toward the former Confederacy and allowed for states' rights.
- C. It made sure that states could not restrict the freedom of former slaves.
- D. It took all power away from state governments throughout the US.

6. Which of these is an example of a "Black Code"?

- ☒ A. a state law passed in Mississippi in 1865 that required freed black men to have written evidence of employment or face imprisonment
- B. the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution
- C. a clause in the Fourteenth Amendment that guaranteed equal protection under the law
- D. an act passed in 1854 that stated that a vote would determine whether slavery would be allowed in the Kansas and Nebraska territories

7. When were former slaves granted US citizenship?

- A. when the Civil War ended
- B. when the Emancipation Proclamation was signed
- ☒ C. when the Fourteenth Amendment was ratified
- D. when the Amnesty Act was passed

8. How was the Thirteenth Amendment different from the Emancipation Proclamation?

- ☒ A. The Thirteenth Amendment legally ended slavery throughout the US, while the Emancipation freed slaves from Confederate states.
- B. The Thirteenth Amendment provided legal protections to those who were freed by the Emancipation Proclamation.
- C. The Thirteenth Amendment freed slaves from Confederate states, while the Emancipation legally ended slavery throughout the US.
- D. The Thirteenth Amendment was issued by President Lincoln, while the Emancipation Proclamation was passed by Congress.

9. Some states prevented black men from voting with

- A. literacy tests.
- B. poll taxes.
- C. restrictive state laws.
- ☒ D. all of the above

**10.** Which of the following occurred during Reconstruction?

- A. Women were given the right to vote.
- B. The Supreme Court said that segregation was unconstitutional.
- C. Southern states seceded from the Union.
- ☒ D. Black representatives were elected to state and federal government.