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Reconstruction - Vocab Cards

13th Amendment]>

an amendment to the US Constitution that ended slavery throughout the country. It was ratified in 1865.

While many enslaved people were freed by the Emancipation Proclamation, it wasn't until the ratification of the _13th Amendment_ that slavery itself was abolished.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

14th Amendment]>

an amendment to the US Constitution that defined citizenship and extended US citizenship to formerly enslaved persons. It also prevented states from restricting the basic rights of citizens or other persons. It was ratified in 1868.

The _14th Amendment_ states, "All persons born or naturalized in the United States...are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside."



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

15th Amendment]>

an amendment to the Constitution that prohibited the restriction of voting rights "on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." It was ratified in 1870.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 further protected Black Americans' right to vote, a right the 15th Amendment had first aimed to protect.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

abolish]>

to bring to an end; to do away with.

Frederick Douglass, a famous anti-slavery activist, worked hard to _abolish_ slavery in the US and was even an adviser to Abraham Lincoln.

Synonyms: cancel, end, remove Antonyms: create, establish, initiate



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

Abraham Lincoln]>

the 16th president of the United States (1861–1865). He led the Union during the Civil War and brought an end to slavery in the United States.

Having led the country during the turbulence of the Civil War, _Abraham Lincoln_ played an important and highly respected role in US history.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

Andrew Johnson]>

the seventeenth president of the U.S. from 1865–69. He was Abraham Lincoln's vice president and became president himself after Lincoln's assassination.

Andrew Johnson must have felt completely overwhelmed when he became president in 1865.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

assassinate]>

to kill an important person, usually for political reasons.

John Hinckley Jr. tried to _assassinate_ President Reagan in 1981. Reagan was wounded but survived.



Synonyms: kill, murder

Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

Civil War]>

the war (1861–1865) fought between the United States and the Confederacy, the 11 Southern states that had seceded from the Union.

When the _Civil War_ ended in 1865, there was still a lot of tension between the Union and the former Confederacy.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

Confederacy]>

the 11 Southern states that seceded from the United States in 1860 and 1861, starting the Civil War.

The 11 states that seceded from the United States in 1860 and 1861 comprised the _Confederacy_.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

disenfranchise]>

to take away a legal right, especially the right to vote.

Many state laws, groups, and organizations aimed to _disenfranchise_ African Americans after the Civil War, making it hard or impossible for them to vote.

Synonyms: deprive, oppress Antonyms: allow, emancipate



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