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Reconstruction Vocabulary

	Word	Definition
1	Abraham Lincoln	President of the Union. Was murdered by John Wilkes Booth shortly after the Union won the Civil War.
2	Andrew Johnson	Congress decided to impeach Andrew Johnson because they believed that he was being too easy on the South.
3	Reconstruction	The period following the Civil War when much rebuilding was happening in the South.
4	Freedman's Bureau	A federal agency formed to aid and protect former enslaved people in the South after the Civil War. It provided food, clothing, medical care, and legal advice to poor blacks and whites.
5	Black Codes	Limited the rights of former slaves to travel, vote, and work in certain jobs. When the 13 th Amendment was passed, these still stood in the way.
6	Jim Crow Laws	Laws that segregated African Americans from other Americans.
7	assassination	The murder of an important leader.
8	segregation	The practice of forced separation of a group of people from the rest of society.
9	prejudice	An unfair, negative opinion that can lead to unjust treatment.
10	impeach	To charge a government official with a crime.
11	sharecropping	A system in which landowners let poor farmers use small areas of their land, and in return, the farmers gave the landowner a share of the crop