



CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION



Review



WHAT DO I NEED TO
KNOW?

Everything....



WHAT DID WE DO?

- ❖ Joyce Appleby – National Expansion and Reform
- ❖ Bruce Levine – The Failure of Compromise
- ❖ Eric Foner – Civil War and Reconstruction
- ❖ Ken Burns – The Civil War
- ❖ The Valley of the Shadow – views on slavery
- ❖ Edward Ayers – Reconstruction
- ❖ Marsha Darling – A Right Deferred



WHY IS THE CIVIL WAR IMPORTANT?

Did American government and society change? How and why?

HUH?

- ❖ Does the Civil War teach us anything about the how government works in America? How about Reconstruction ? Did the system fail? Why?
- ❖ What Constitutional issues were raised by the Civil War? Were they resolved?
- ❖ What changed about society? Why? What didn't change?
- ❖ Why does the legacy of the war and Reconstruction effect us today?
- ❖ Is the United States really a nation? Why or why not?
- ❖ Is compromise important in our system? What happens when you can't compromise anymore?

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FACTS

- ❖ America before the war
- ❖ Compromises
- ❖ Role of Westward expansion
- ❖ Slavery
- ❖ Republican Party
- ❖ The 1850s – Kansas, Dred Scott, John Brown, election of 1860, secession

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FACTS

- ❖ The War... not much
- ❖ The Constitution and the War
- ❖ Reconstruction – highs and lows
- ❖ The End of Reconstruction
- ❖ Jim Crow emerges



BIG QUESTIONS

- ❖ What did Reconstruction get right? What did it get wrong? Why?
- ❖ Did American government change? Why and in what ways?
- ❖ Did American society change? Why and in what ways?

- ❖ If Reconstruction failed, was the Civil War worth it?