
CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION – STUDY GUIDE

[National Expansion and Reform, 1815-1860 - Joyce Appleby](#)

What changed in the United States in the years before the Civil War?

[The Failure of Compromise](#)

The Compromise of 1820 (Missouri Compromise)

Mexican American War

The Compromise of 1850

Fugitive Slave Act

Popular Sovereignty

Bleeding Kansas

Dred Scott Decision

[Civil War and Reconstruction, 1861-1877 - Eric Foner](#)

What did the war change about the United States?

The creation of the modern nation state

The impact on the economy

What advantages did the Union have?

What advantages did the Confederacy have?

The Emancipation Proclamation

What were the views of the Radical Republicans?

[Abraham Lincoln - Primary Sources](#)

What were the views of Abraham Lincoln on:

- The Union?
- The war?
- Slavery?

Did those views change over time?

Look over the following charts: [Civil War Facts and Figures](#)

What advantages did the North have in the war?

Reconstruction - Edward Ayers

What were the features of Presidential Reconstruction?

What were the Black Codes?

What was Sharecropping and what did it mean for the economic future of former slaves?

What was the Freedman's Bureau? What did it do?

The second era in Reconstruction, Radical Reconstruction: How did it differ from Presidential Reconstruction? What were its aims?

Why were Republicans able to take charge of Southern state governments?

What did they do with this power?

How did Southern White Democrats respond?

What were the challenges facing supporters of Reconstruction?

How did Reconstruction come to an end?

The Reconstruction Amendments - Eric Foner

What did each of the Reconstruction Amendments do?

What impact did they have?

How was that impact later limited?

From class:

- **What were Jim Crow laws?**
- **Who were the Ku Klux Klan? What role did they play during Reconstruction?**
- **What were the achievements made for Southern society during Reconstruction?**
- **What was the significance of the election of 1876?**
- **Who was Ida B. Wells?**
- **How did white southerners overturn Reconstruction?**
- **What was the outcome of *Plessy v. Ferguson*? What impact did that have on race relations in the United States?**