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Unit 1: Reconstruction

Overview: The Civil War was the deadliest war in American history. It had a huge impact on all aspects of life in the United States. In this unit we will look at the effects of the Civil War and examine how the United States changed as a result.

Vocabulary and Terms:

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| 1) 13 th Amendment | assassination | Freedmen's Bureau |
| Reconstruction | amnesty | |
| 2) radical | Black Codes | 14 th Amendment |
| Impeach | 15 th Amendment | |
| 3) sharecropping | segregation | reactionary |
| Poll tax | Plessy vs. Ferguson | carpetbagger |
| Ku Klux Klan | Jim Crow Laws | scalawag |

Essential Questions:

- 1) How did the Civil War affect the Southern United States long into the twentieth century?
- 2) How did the lives of African Americans change during Reconstruction?
- 3) How did the "old South" re-emerge during Reconstruction and afterwards?
- 4) How did the assassination of President Lincoln hurt the South?
- 5) What systems and laws emerged in order to recreate slavery?
- 6) How does the period of Reconstruction show us the power of democracy?
- 7) How is the period of Reconstruction an example of the system of checks and balances?
- 8) Why did Reconstruction come to an end and was it successful?
- 9) How did the Southern economy change following the Civil War?

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