Civil War ended in 1865

**Destruction**

The damage to the state’s cities was severe. Roads and bridges were impassable. Many hotels, stores, and public buildings had been burned. In 1860, Mississippi was one of the South’s wealthier states. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ affected the people of Mississippi, both black and white.

**Civil War Vet**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the adult white males died during the war or returned home unable to work because of injuries. Many others returned to farms, homes, and businesses that had been destroyed or badly damaged.

**Who faced the greater hardships after the war?**

**Free for the first time in their lives.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, little more than the clothes on their backs, and wandered from town to town in search of jobs.

**Blacks fear**

That their old masters would try to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them.

**Whites fear**

Many white Mississippians wondered how they would now be treated by the federal government. Would they be punished for their part in the war? Would they be allowed to vote and participate in the new state government? Would the property that had been taken from them during the war be returned?

**What 3 things did freedman say they needed to be independent?**

**Two things made a man independent in the south.**

**The ballot**

What is the ballot?

Why is the right to vote so important?

**Education**

Why education?

**Freedmen’s Bureau**

What is the Freedmen’s Bureau? Congress created the temporary agency to help former slaves with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Freedmen, also firmly believed that the Freedmen’s Bureau would sell or lease to them land \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (seized) or abandoned during the war. About \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ acres of land were confiscated in Mississippi during the war. So, what is the problem? In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, rumors spread throughout the state that each adult black male would be given \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of land and a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It was the product of Special Field Orders, No. 15, issued January 16, 1865 by Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman, which applied to black families who lived near the coasts of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. There was no mention of mules in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ order, although the Army may have distributed them anyway. President Andrew Johnson, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sherman's Orders. By June 1865, around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were settled on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Georgia and South Carolina. Soon after, President Andrew Johnson \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the order and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the land to its white former owners. By 1867, even radical \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Congress had lost interest in providing land for freedmen. Many freedmen who did acquire land lost everything in the statewide crop failures of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. By 1870, only about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ percent of black farmers owned their own land.

**Reconstruction**

What is reconstruction?

When did Lincoln start planning?

The plan had two simple steps

– All southerners, except high-ranking Confederate officials, would be pardoned after taking an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Union.

– When \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the voters in a state had taken the oath of loyalty, the state would be permitted to form a legal government and rejoin the Union.

**Why did his plan not happen?**

Lincoln was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on April 14, 1865.