

<p>VS 8a Reconstruction: Life in VA</p> <p><b>What was Reconstruction?</b></p>	<p>The period following the Civil War in which Congress passed laws designed to help rebuild the country and bring the southern states back into the Union</p>
<p>VS 8a Reconstruction: Life in VA</p> <p><b>What problems did Virginians face?</b></p>	<p>1. Millions of <b>freed African Americans</b> needed <b>housing, education, clothing, food, and jobs.</b></p> <p>2. Virginia's <b>economy</b> was in <b>ruins</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <b>Money</b> had <b>no value.</b></li> <li>– <b>Banks</b> were <b>closed.</b></li> <li>– Railroads, bridges, plantations, crops were <b>destroyed.</b></li> </ul>
<p>VS 8a Reconstruction: Life in VA</p> <p><b>What was the Freedmen's Bureau?</b></p>	<p>The Freedmen's Bureau was a government agency that <b>provided food, schools, and medical care for freed African Americans and others</b> in Virginia.</p>
<p>VS 8a Reconstruction: Life in VA</p> <p><b>What is Sharecropping?</b></p>	<p>a system common in Virginia after the war in which <b>freedmen and poor white farmers rented land from landowners by promising to pay the owners with a share of the crops</b></p>
<p>VS 8b Reconstruction: Segregation &amp; Jim Crow Laws</p> <p><b>What is segregation?</b></p>	<p>the separation of people, usually based on race or religion discrimination; an unfair difference in the treatment of people</p>
<p>VS 8b Reconstruction: Segregation &amp; Jim Crow Laws</p> <p><b>What power did African Americans begin to have during reconstruction?</b></p>	<p>African Americans began to have power in Virginia's government, and men of all races could vote.</p>

<p>VS 8b Reconstruction: Segregation &amp; Jim Crow Laws</p> <p>Any gains in rights for African Americans were lost after Reconstruction when “Jim Crow: laws were passed in southern states. <u>What did Jim Crow laws do?</u></p>	<p>“Jim Crow” laws <b>made segregation, or separation of the races, legal</b> and <u>reinforced prejudices</u> held by whites.</p>
<p>VS 8b Reconstruction: Segregation &amp; Jim Crow Laws</p> <p>What were the effects of “Jim Crow” laws on the lives of African Americans and American Indians?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Unfair poll taxes and voting tests</b> were established to keep African American men from voting.</li> <li>2. African Americans found it very <b>difficult to vote or hold public office.</b></li> <li>3. African Americans were <b>forced to use separate, poor-quality facilities and services, such as drinking fountains, restrooms, and restaurants.</b></li> <li>4. African-American and white children attended <b>separate schools.</b></li> </ol>
<p>VS 8c Reconstruction: Railroads, New Industry, VA Economic Development</p> <p>How did Virginia grow after the Civil War and Reconstruction?</p>	<p>Virginia’s <b>cities grew</b> with people, businesses, and factories.</p>
<p>VS 8c Reconstruction: Railroads, New Industry, VA Economic Development</p> <p>Why were railroads important during and after Reconstruction?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Railroads were a key to the expansion of business, agriculture, and industry.</li> <li>● They facilitated the growth of small towns into cities. Other parts of Virginia grew as other industries developed.</li> <li>● Coal deposits were discovered in Tazewell County. The need for more and better roads increased.</li> </ul>
<p>VS 8c Reconstruction: Railroads, New Industry, VA Economic Development</p> <p>What industry became important in Virginia again?</p>	<p><b>Tobacco</b> farming and the manufacture of tobacco products became important Virginia industries.</p>