Your Reconstruction Plan

**Points to Consider**:

1. How free should African-Americans be? Should they be allowed to vote? And how fast should they receive all of their rights (take the point of view of Thaddeus Stevens or Andrew Johnson toward reconstruction in the South).

2. How will you handle the Black Codes?

3. Should there be a Freedman’s Bureau? Any other ideas on education or improving the work skills of African-Americans?

4. Should Amendments be added to the Constitution? Which would you recommend – the 13th, 14th, or 15th and why?

5. Should the South be punished? Should there be loyalty oaths? What should southern states have to do in order to come back into the Union?

6. Should troops be sent to the South? For how long?

7. How should Reconstruction policies be enforced in the South? Should anything be done about racism or prejudice in the South?

8. What about the economic condition of the U.S. after the Civil War? What could it afford to do towards reconstruction?

9. Add one original idea.