



Reconstructing Texas 1866-1874
7th Grade Worksheet

- 1) According to Wood's account in slide two, how had the Civil War affected Texas?

- 2) According to Wood, what did the Northern Radicals want to do to the former rebel states?

- 3) What does General Sheridan's request imply about the reconstruction situation in Texas?

- 4) What happened to Texas officials after Congressional Reconstruction began?



5) According to Wood, what happened to Texas after the “passage of the reconstruction acts”?

6) What was General Griffin’s concern about Parker and Jack Counties?

7) What was the vigilance committee?

8) Why was it important to stop the activities of a group such as the vigilance committee?



9) Do you think complaints such as General Griffin's contributed to Governor Throckmorton's removal? If so, why?

10) Why would freedmen and Union men be targets for violence and intimidation?

11) What does Wood say was the result of placing the ballot in the hands of the "negro"?

12) What did General Charles Griffin's letter illustrate about the racial attitudes in Texas during Reconstruction?



13) According to Wood, did the vast majority of whites need African American votes to unseat the reconstruction government?

14) Why did Wood suggest Texans should oppose Reconstruction?

15) What were some of the failings of Reconstruction with regards to freedmen?

16) Was a military reconstruction of the South needed? Explain.
