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### Section 1: Building Again

**ESSENTIAL QUESTION:** 

How did people in Missouri live through Reconstruction?

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# Section 1: Building Again What words do I need to know? • Freedmen's Bureau freedmen test oath suffrage discrimination segregate

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#### Rebuilding the State Government

- The new state government was led by "radicals."
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  These people wanted to punish those who had supported slavery.
  Former Confederates could not hold office or vote. They could not be teachers, lawyers, or ministers.
  Freedmen did not have equal rights they could not vote or hold office.
  Hard feelings over their treatment led some to become outlaws.
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- Some people thought that the government could not protect them, so they took the law into their own hands. They arrested and punished people without a trial.



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### Life After Savery (page 1)

- Freed slaves had no money, land, or jobs.Most were not welcome in Missouri.
- Discrimination kept freed slaves from opportunities for a better life.
- · Racism was the cause of discrimination
- The Freedmen's Bureau was started in 1865 to provide food, clothing, medical care, and other help for the freed slaves.
- Schools were started to help former slaves and their children.
- Many blacks worked as tenant farmers. White landowners provided land, a place to live, seeds, and tools. The blacks provided labor. The tenant farmer got a share of the crops when they were sold.

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### Life After Savery (page 2)

- The Missouri Equal Rights League worked to get the right to vote for blacks
- · Some blacks left the state, many moved to cities, and some formed their own communities (Eldridge, Three Creeks, and Pennytown).
- Whites and blacks were segregated sitting in different parts of trains or churches and attending separate schools.

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### Education

- In 1866, the state began to fund schools.
- The first public kindergraten was started by <u>Susan</u> <u>Blow</u> in 1873 in St. Louis.
  Colleges were started to train teachers. Lincoln Institute trained black teachers.
  City schools were larger brick buildings.

- Rural schools were smaller wood buildings, often with only one room.

- School ended for most by 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
  Boys tended to go to work on farms, and girls were expected to work in the home.
  A few girls attended academies where they studied cooking, nursing, housekeeping, and sewing.

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### **Cultural Activities**

- Many cultural activities grew after the war
- · Libraries and music halls were built.
- · Sports such as ice skating, biking, hunting, fishing, and baseball grew in importance.
- County fairs became popular and church memberships grew.
- Artist George Caleb Bingham, writer Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), and reporter Eugene Field became famous Missourians

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	What was the economy of Missouri like after the Civil War?
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	What <b>words</b> do I need to know? • raw materials • tenements • epidemic
Slide 12	Transportation
	<ul> <li>Rail lines were completed across the state after the Civil War.</li> <li>Bridges in Kansas City, Hannibal, St. Charles, <u>Glasgow</u>, and <u>St. Louis</u> helped bring more railroads.</li> <li>Railroads crisscrossed the state and many small towns grew into larger cities because of them.</li> </ul>
Slide 13	Manufacturing and Mining (page 1) • Railroads made it possible to bring raw materials to factories. • Goods produced at the factories could be

- Goods produced at the factories could be shipped to other markets.
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  Kansas City became famous for large stockyards. Meatpacking plants prepared meats for shipment by rail to the east.
  Grains were brought from the Great Plains and made into flour, cornmeal, cereal, etc.
  Smaller cities had factories making cigars, boats, wagons, and even candy.

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### Manufacturing and Mining (page 2)

- Mining became more important.
- Lead, limestone, coal, and zinc were mined.
- Clay was discovered and brick factories were built nearby.

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### Agriculture

- Farmers found they could ship their goods by train and make more money.
- The number of farms doubled in the 30 years after the Civil War.
- Improved farm equipment helped farmers grow more crops to sell.
- Farmers were helped by the College of Agriculture at the University of Missouri in Columbia and the State Board of Agriculture.
- Lumbering and sawmills cut most of the state's forests by the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

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### **Telephonesand Electricity**

- · Most families depended on candles, lanterns, or kerosene lamps for light.
- · Gaslights lit streets in cities.
- Before the 1890s, electricity in the home was rare.
- The first telephone exchange was in Hannibal.
- By 1890, telephones linked large cities and many small towns in Missouri.

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### City Life

- Wealthy people had homes, but most people lived in low-quality tenements.
   Tenements were often over-crowded and required people to share some things such as bathrooms.
- Children had to play in the street or on the
- <u>Children</u> often quit school to go to work in factories working long hours.
   Unhealthy, crowded conditions in factories and tenements caused diseases to spread quickly.

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