## **Unit 8: Reconstruction Review Sheet**

- 1. What were the economic problems faced by Virginians during Reconstruction? banks were closed, railroads were destroyed, there were limited job opportunities
- 2. What government agency provided food, schools, and medical care for freed slaves (African Americans) and others in Virginia? Freedmen's Bureau
- 3. Which part of the United States needed most of the rebuilding after the Civil War? The South (be able to find this area on a U.S. map!)
- 4. Name 2 events that occurred after the Battle of the Ironclads: Jim Crow Laws were passed in the South, and the Freedmen's Bureau was established.
- 5. What happened to the rights of African American men <u>during</u>
  Reconstruction? African Americans began to have power in Virginia's government and could finally vote
- 6. What happened to the rights of African Americans <u>AFTER</u> Reconstruction? Freedoms/rights were slowly taken away when "Jim Crow" Laws were passed.
- 7. Who did Jim Crow laws affect the most? African Americans and American Indians
- 8. What did the millions of freed African Americans need after the Civil War? education, jobs and housing
- 9. What industry developed in the southwest part of Virginia? Coal
- 10. Where were coal deposits discovered after the Civil War? Tazewell County (be able to locate on a Virginia map!)

- 11. After Reconstruction (toward the late 1800's/early 1900's), what crop became important to farming and manufacturing in Virginia? Tobacco
- 12. How did Virginia's cities begin to grow after the Civil War and Reconstruction?
  - increased the need for better roads.
  - new businesses and factories helped Virginia cities grow
  - railroads helped small towns become cities (more people!)

- 13. Railroads had a big effect on Virginia's recovery during Reconstruction. How did railroads help?
  - helped growth of factories
  - helped small towns grow into cities
  - brought new jobs/people to the area
  - promoted <u>economic opportunities</u>
  - key to expanding business, agriculture and industry
- 14. What post-Civil War (AFTER the Civil War) system allowed freedmen and poor white farmers to rent land by promising to pay with a part of the crop? Sharecropping
- 15. What is the separation of people, usually based on race or religion? (for example, African American and white children attended separate schools) Segregation
- 16. What could African Americans do if they paid a poll tax and passed a literacy test? vote in an election
- 17. What is the unfair difference in the treatment of people? Discrimination
- 18. If an African American could not vote because he failed a literacy test, this is a result of what practice? "Jim Crow" laws
- 19. Name changes that took place after Reconstruction that helped boost Virginia economy. (you need to be able to type these on the test)
  - 1. Railroads (tiny towns were linked to bigger cities)
  - 2. Factories (the Industrial Revolution)

## **Review Questions:**

- 20. **Name the surrounding states of Virginia:** Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina.
- 21. Name the three capital cities of Virginia in chronological order: Jamestown (1607), Williamsburg (1699), Richmond (1780).
- 22. During the Revolutionary War, what was the result of an American victory at Yorktown? The battle marked the end of the war, and the British army surrendered.
- 23. **After the Revolutionary War, why did Virginians migrate west?** Tobacco farming took many nutrients from the soil, so farmers needed new land to farm.
- 24. Were there many banks in colonial Virginia? NO! Few people had paper money or coins, and bartering was common. People used **tobacco** to pay for goods and services.
- 25. Jamestown was originally a peninsula, but due to erosion over time, what type of land form is it now? An island located in the James River