

Reconstruction & Tensions in the West Vocabulary

abolish - to stop

civil rights - the rights of citizens to political and social freedom and equality

discrimination - treating people unfairly based on race, gender, etc.

freedmen - African Americans who had been set free from slavery

Reconstruction - the rebuilding of the South following the Civil War

segregation - the separation of people based on race

suffrage - the right to vote

treaty - a formal agreement between people, groups, countries, etc.

assimilation - adapting to another culture and giving up your own culture

reservation - an area of land set aside for Native Americans