Rewriting History:

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Draft Your Own Reconstruction Plan

*…it’s all about compromise!*

The year is 1865: the Civil War has ended and no one is sure how to proceed. The Radical Republicans cry for change, the Moderate Republicans push for forgiveness. The Southern Democrats are defeated and furious, and the Freedmen demand the privileges and rights that come with freedom.

You will work with your peers to come up with a **Reconstruction Plan** that describes how to structure American society, economy and politics from now on. Each plan will require Compromise to ensure all points of view are heard! (A compromise is an *agreement that is achieved after everyone involved accepts less than what they wanted at first).*

Each plan **must address the demands of the 4 opposing views** at the start of Reconstruction: *Moderate Republicans, Radical Republicans, Southern Democrats, and the Freedmen*

**Directions:**

1. **Prep-Work in your Delegations:** Sit with your delegates and come up with at least 5 demands that your delegation would like to see in your final Reconstruction plans. Use the graphic organizer to record your delegation’s demands. *(3 points, 8 minutes)*

Delegations = all the Radical Republicans together, all the Moderate Republicans together, etc.

1. **Regroup to Draft Reconstruction Plan:** Next, meet in your assigned groups of four to draft your Reconstruction plan. Each member of your group represents one of the four opposing points of view that existed at the end of the Civil War. As a group, draft a plan that explains the way post-Civil War America should be run. Each plan must have exactly **8 points**, made up of **2 demands per delegate**. *(3 points, 25 minutes)*

*Remember, not all of your original demands will be able to make the cut!* Some of your demands might actually contradict those of another delegate. To successfully draft a plan, each delegate will have to make COMPROMISES by letting go of some demands or even changing them a little - so that you can come up with a final 8 point plan.

**Publish Your Final Plan** – Before you begin, make sure to elect one group member that’s responsible for drafting your plan in a Google Doc…do not share it with me. Once your plan is final, open the shared Google Slides presentation, locate your group’s slide number, cut and paste your plan onto your slide. (The link to your class’ shared presentation is on our website: [bit.ly/newreconstructionplan](http://bit.ly/newreconstructionplan))

1. **Presentation** – Two members of each group will have ONE minute to present the highlights of your plan…be ready! *(10 minutes)*
2. **Voting** – After we review the plans, each student can vote for ONE plan they liked the best using the Google Form link on our class website.
3. **Reflection** – Log onto Nearpod, enter the Session Code on the front board. Enter name & press send. (20 minutes)

**DELEGATION & GROUP NUMBER:**

Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Group #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**RUBRIC:** 9 possible points

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| **Prep Work – Graphic Organizer** | Graphic organizer includes at least 5 historically accurate demands reflecting the needs and point-of-view of their delegation. | Graphic organizer includes 3-4 demands reflecting the needs and point-of-view of their delegation. | Graphic organizer includes demands which do not accurately reflect the needs and point-of-view of their delegation. |
| **Final Reconstruction**  **Plan** | Groups create an 8-point plan that reflects the demands of all the representatives and is historically accurate. | Groups create a plan that reflects the demands of all the representatives and is historically accurate. | Groups create a plan that does not reflect the demands of all the representatives and is not historically accurate |
| **Group Work** | All group members participate, stay on task and are willing to listen to peers and *compromise*. | Some group members participate, stay on task and are willing to listen to peers and *compromise.* | Group members do not stay on task and do not listen to peers. Unwilling to compromise. |
| **Total Score:** | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/9 points | | |