

Exercise walk-through

Reconstruction ■ 5.10

eXercise

You must be able to

- state what each of the three amendments did
- state what Reconstruction altered and what it opened
- state the two reasons the CED gives for its failure
- state how the women's rights movement responded to the amendments

Method — Three amendments

The 13th Amendment abolished slavery, while the 14th and 15th amendments granted African Americans citizenship, equal protection under the laws, and voting rights.

Method — What it altered

Reconstruction altered relationships between the states and the federal government and led to debates over new definitions of citizenship, particularly regarding the rights of African Americans, women, and other minorities. It opened up political opportunities and other leadership roles to formerly enslaved persons.

Method — Why it failed

Efforts by radical and moderate Republicans **yielded some short-term successes**, but it **ultimately failed, due both to determined Southern resistance and the North's waning resolve**. Two causes, one in each section.

Method — Women's rights

The women's rights movement was both emboldened and divided over the 14th and 15th amendments. Emboldened by the principle, divided over whether to support amendments that did not include women.

Practice 2.1 ■ 3 marks

State what each of the three amendments did.

Solution 2.1

Method: Three amendments

Worked steps

the 13th abolished slavery **B1**; the 14th and 15th granted citizenship and equal protection **B1** and voting rights **B1**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

State the two reasons the CED gives for Reconstruction's failure.

Solution 2.2

Worked steps

determined Southern resistance **B1**; the North's waning resolve **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

The women's rights movement responded in two ways.

- (a) State them.
- (b) State what Reconstruction opened up.

Solution 2.3

Method: What it altered

Worked steps

(a) it was emboldened **B1** and divided **B1** over the amendments. (b) political opportunities and other leadership roles for formerly enslaved persons **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

Reconstruction failed due to Southern resistance and

- A** the North's waning resolve
- B** foreign intervention
- C** a Supreme Court ruling alone
- D** economic collapse in the North

Solution 3.1

Method: Why it failed

A the North's waning resolve



B foreign intervention

C a Supreme Court ruling alone

D economic collapse in the North

Worked steps

A. waning resolve.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The 14th and 15th amendments granted citizenship, equal protection and

A voting rights

B land

C education

D employment

Solution 3.2

Method: Three amendments

A voting rights



B land

C education

D employment

Worked steps

A. voting rights.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

A movement supports a principle and opposes the measure enacting it.

- (a) State what explains this.
- (b) Explain the division it produced.

Solution 3.3

Method: Women's rights

Worked steps

(a) the measure enacted the principle for some and not for others **B1**. (b) some supported the amendments as an advance for the principle **B1**, while others opposed measures that extended rights while leaving women out **B1**.