

# CIVIL WAR AMENDMENTS

## THE RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS

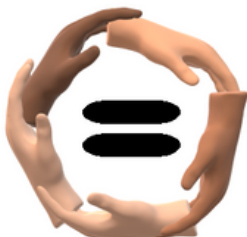
### The 13th Amendment

The 13th Amendment is the first amendment ratified of the three reconstruction amendments after the Civil War. It abolished slavery and involuntary slavery. It was ratified by all northern states but three and most of the southern states. It was officially proclaimed on December 18, 1865.



This amendment gave freedom to slaves!

### The 14th Amendment



Everyone is created equal!

The 14th amendment gives every citizen of the United States equal rights and protection from laws. It solved the issues of the treatment of freedmen(formal enslaved people). The southern states were forced to ratify this or their delegates couldn't return to the Congress. It was ratified on July 9, 1868.

### The 15th Amendment

The 15th Amendment prohibits federal or states governments from disallowing people to vote or denying their rights to vote based on their race, color, or if they are formal slaves. It was ratified on February 3, 1870.



All amendments above are called the "Reconstruction Amendments" because they solve the problems about slavery, guaranteed the freedom of formal slaves, and resolve the south's secession from the United States. These amendments were ratified between 1865 and 1870.