Reconstruction Museum Exhibit Project

Artifact 1: An obituary (death notice) for Abraham Lincoln

The summary paragraph of Lincoln’s life should be 8-10 sentences in length and should include:

a. Topic Sentence (15 points) ______
b. Three or more facts from his life with details (40 points) ______
c. Conclusion Sentence (15 points) ______
d. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) ______
e. A graphic/picture with a caption (20 points) ______

Final Score ______

Artifact 2: A photograph/illustration depicting the political roles of African Americans during Reconstruction. The caption must identify how the 15th amendment made the person’s achievements possible.

The artifact should include these requirements:

a. A relevant photo/illustration from the era (30 points) ______
b. A name and title of the political figure (20 points) ______
c. A caption describing how the 15th amendment made the person’s achievements possible (40 points) ______
d. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) ______

Final Score ______

Artifact 3: An advertisement for the Freedmen’s Bureau

The artifact should include the following requirements:

a. At least 3 services for freedmen provided (30 points) ______
b. At least 3 illustrations of the Bureau (30 points) ______
c. A creative slogan for the Bureau (30 points) ______
d. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) ______

Final Score ______
Artifact 4: A diary entry that explains how life has changed since the Civil War. Write from the perspective of an emancipated slave, former plantation owner/confederate leader, or a northerner who has moved to the south during Reconstruction.

The diary entry must be at least 8-10 sentences in length, and must include the following:

a. A relevant date for the Reconstruction era (10 points) __________
b. At least 3 events cited from the time period (30 points) __________
c. At least 4 vocabulary words cited from the unit (40 points) __________
d. A graphic/illustration on the diary page (10 points) __________
e. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) __________

Final Score __________

Artifact 5: A Political Cartoon that symbolizes the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments, and their effects during Reconstruction.

The political cartoon must include these requirements:

a. All three amendments are symbolized/illustrated (30 points) _______
b. Creative title for cartoon (10 points) _______
c. All three amendments’ effects are described (30 points) _______
d. Prominent figure from the era included (20 points) _______
e. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) _______

Final Score _______

Artifact 6: Choose an artifact of YOUR choice to include in the exhibit. Possible artifacts could include: maps, charts, or graphs from the time period, time line of events from the Reconstruction era, newspaper articles or letters describing Reconstruction, or any teacher approved artifact.

The artifact must include the following:

a. A creative title (10 points) _______
b. At least 3 relevant events from the time (30 points) _______
c. At least 5 vocabulary words from the unit (50 points) _______
d. Correct spelling/punctuation (10 points) _______

Final Score _______