

Vocabulary List

Abolish	To get rid of something.
Amendment	A change in or addition to something, such as a law.
Jim Crow Laws	A series of laws passed by Southern states after the Civil War to deny former slaves the rights of citizenship.
Migration	The act of moving from one country or region to another to find work, freedom, or a better
Prejudice	An unfair or unreasonable opinion. Dislike or distrust of people because they are of another race, religion, or country. From Meet Addy – being unable to see another person for how they really are.
Racism	Unfair treatment of people based only on their race.
Reconstruction	The attempt by the federal government to physically and politically rebuild the southern states after the Civil War.
Segregation	The practice of forcing people of different racial or ethnic groups to live apart, work apart, travel apart, and use different public facilities from one another.
Sharecropping	A system of farm labor wherein land is farmed by someone other than the owner. As rent payment for the land, the owner is paid a percentage of the crop's value, of the money the crop brings when sold.
Slavery	The action of one person owning another person, who has few or no rights under the law.