Mr. Ciambarella US History 11/2/2017

**CHAPTER 12: RECONSTRUCTION & ITS EFFECTS**

1. Possible Essay Questions?
2. Why did Reconstruction fail?
3. Was Reconstruction a success or failure and why?
4. Big Picture: What is RECONSTRUCTION?
5. Read last paragraph on page 376
6. Possible Ideas for the Essay Question?
7. **Failure Reason #1: Lincoln's Assasination**
8. Lincoln (as usual for him) begins slow and moderate but maybe would have pushed for more later on (but Lincoln is Assassinated before he has the chance)
9. Read page 377
10. What was Lincoln's moderate 10% Plan?
11. What did Radical Republicans like Thaddeus Stevens think & propose instead?
12. We now have a fight between who to control Reconstruction?
13. **Failure Reason #2: New President Andrew Johnson extremely lenient policies and no leadership are to blame?**
14. Read page 378 "Johnson Continues Lincoln's Policies"
15. What is President Johnson's View of Reconstruction?
16. Why does this lead to "Reconstruction failure?"
17. Let's add more specific details & examples to your essay to get an A+!

-Read on my website **Week 5 The Black Codes**

-What are the 'Black Codes'? and how are they good specific examples of 'Reconstruction's failures under President Johnson?

1. New Idea- Challenge the Essay Question (Reconstruction was NOT a failure because 1866-1868 Reconstruction becomes a success) ….or

**Failure Reason #3- Congress's Radical Reconstruction's SUCCESSES of 1866-1868 scare White Southern Democrats to push to want it to fail. They do not want it to succeed!**

1. What do you think Radical Republicans- like Thaddeus Stevens- think about President Johnson's Reconstruction & The Black Codes?
2. Now read **pages 378 -382** and let's add some support to our essay.

-What are different things Radical Republicans do to truly Re-Construct the South & change President Johnson's version of Reconstruction?

1. Finally let's give evidence that Radical Reconstruction from 1866-1868 was perhaps a great success for African-American former slaves now Freedmen. Read pages **388-389** and give some evidence of this success….
2. **Failure Reason #4: The Rise of Domestic Terrorism in the South 1868-1870**
3. The 'success' of 1866-68 Radical Reconstruction scares the OLD POWER in the South (White Southern Democrats & former Confederate leaders) that democracy actually does work! So if the OLD POWER cannot win with democracy, then how can they win to re-gain power?
4. Read **pages 393-394** "Opposition to Reconstruction" and answer: How does the OLD POWER stop the success of Reconstruction and regain their power in the South?
5. **Failure Reason #5: Lack of Northern/Federal Government Will to stop the rise of Terrorism in the South, 1869-1871**
6. Read pages 397-398 and answer: Why doesn't the North Federal Government do more to stop the rise of terrorism in the South?
7. **Failure Reason #6: Democrats 'Redeem" the South & Re-write History**
8. Read top of page 399
9. By 1875 who is back in control of government in the South (federal, state, and local)?
10. How will they re-write the History books about The Civil War & Reconstruction?
11. What become the only real options for African-American ex-slaves now Freedmen in the South?

-read page 391

1. **CONCLUSION TO RECONSTRUCTION ESSAY**
2. Add analysis. What do you think about Reconstruction? Was it a failure or a success and why?
3. Read page 400 Point-Counterpoint