Knowledge Organizer: Reconstruction

What do 3rd Graders need to know about Reconstruction to tell the story of Promise Land?

Citation Key:
BC = Bethune-Cookman
C = Cheyney
# = Group Number

- **What:** “A social, economic, and political revolution” (BC1)
- **When:** 1860s – 1900s (note – these exact dates are disputed!), during & after the American Civil War
- African-Americans were elected as state senators and representatives for the first time (C5)
- It was made legal for African-American men to vote (C2). However, White supremacists suppressed Black voting through violence and sought to reinstate legal racial hierarchy (C6).
- Reconstruction was a time of great violence (BC5), but Black Americans resisted this violence (BC1)
- Schools were established for and by African-Americans where there were none in the South before (BC6)
- Thousands of schools and churches were established for and by Black people (BC2)