

Reconstruction Student Response Packet

Name: Mercedes McCray Date: Jan 20, 2023 Class: Hunter 8C

Essential Question: Who were the key black figures during the Reconstruction Era and how did they demonstrate power and agency?

Do Now

Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

Yes, I do believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power. During Reconstruction, the first black men were elected into congress, a governmental position of power.

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show *Gilded Age*.

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1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?

- Servants
- Housekeeping
- Business owners
- Pharmacists
- Doctors
- Lawyers
- Scientists

2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.

Yes, I believe African Americans gained power during the Gilded Age

3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

A lot of the middle class moved to Brooklyn, free from the discrimination in the South.

Student Investigation

At this point we all know that the black elites existed during the Reconstruction. They were able to gain this status based on the people who fought for their rights around the country. Identify the key black contributors to the Reconstruction Era. Utilize the slide to summarize the impact of each of the contributors below.

1. Robert B Elliott

2. Ida B Wells

3. Frederick Douglass

4. Hiram Rhodes Revels

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Reconstruction Student Response Packet

Name: Kevin Tinizhanay Date: 5/20/23 Class: 8C

Essential Question: Who were the key black figures during the Reconstruction Era and how did they demonstrate power and agency?

Do Now

Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

Yes, I do believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power in things such as rebellions

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show *Gilded Age*.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?
They were getting lawyers, scientists, business
they were booming in wealth

2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.
Yes because a new powerful black generation was born full of success and wealth.

3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

What surprised me the most was how very successful black Americans were during this "black elite" These are moments when Black Americans were very powerful such as when they would fight in and lead rebellions.

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

Brooklyn was where the middle class moved
 from to avoid the hate and racism
 happening in Harlem

Student Investigation

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1. Robert B Elliott

The first African American commanding
 general of the South Carolina National
 Guard. He helped to fight the KKK

2. Ida B Wells

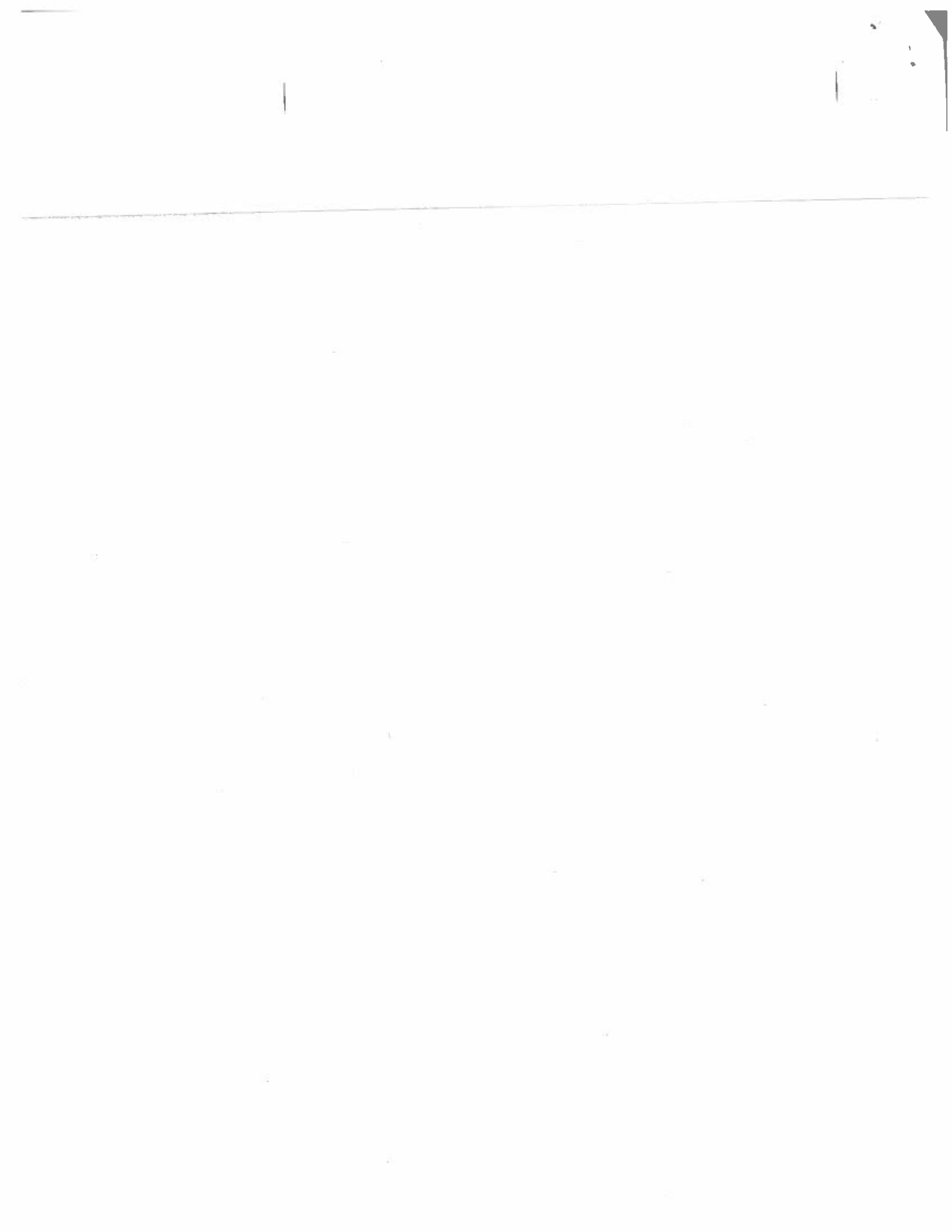
Journalist and abolitionist who dedicated
 her life to combatting racism and violence
 towards African Americans during the post
 Reconstruction era

3. Frederick Douglass

An early advocate for the Freedmen's Savings
 Bank, he built Black churches and charities
 to build their savings

4. Hiram Rhodes Revels

Fought at the Battle of Vicksburg in
 Mississippi. He quickly became an outspoken
 opponent of racial segregation.



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Name: Aidden John Date: 1/20/23 Class: 8C

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Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

There was a point where they grew power, where they would rebel and fight back. Even after slavery ended they continued to fight back for their rights.

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

They were probably a group of black people that fight back against racism during the gilded age.

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show Gilded Age.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?

They were becoming lawyers, scientists, pharmacists, and they were becoming wealthy.

2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.

Yes, they were able to get wealth and get jobs to take care of them self.

3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

That black people never gave up during hard times and still tried their hardest.

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

The reconstruction in brooklyn was good because many black people got health and good jobs. Most of the middle class moved to brooklyn.

Student Investigation

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1. Robert B Elliott

In 1868, he got elected to the South Carolina house of representatives. He is the first african american commanding general of the south.

2. Ida B Wells

She was a journalist, abolitionist and feminist who fought against racism towards black americans.

3. Frederick Douglass

He was an advocate of freedmans savings bank for the working class black americans.

4. Hiram Rhodes Revels

He fought in the battle of vicksburg in mississippi. He became an opponent for racial segregation.

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Name: Jose Rodriguez Date: 1/20/23 Class: Hunter

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Do Now

Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

I believe there was a time when Black Americans grew in power. I believe it was when slaves began to rebel against slave owners.

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

The black elite was a

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show Gilded Age.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?
They were in pharmacy areas, they were writers, scientist, businessmen, doctors, lawyers.
2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.
yes, I believed they gained power because they were able to get jobs. they are getting more of the
3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

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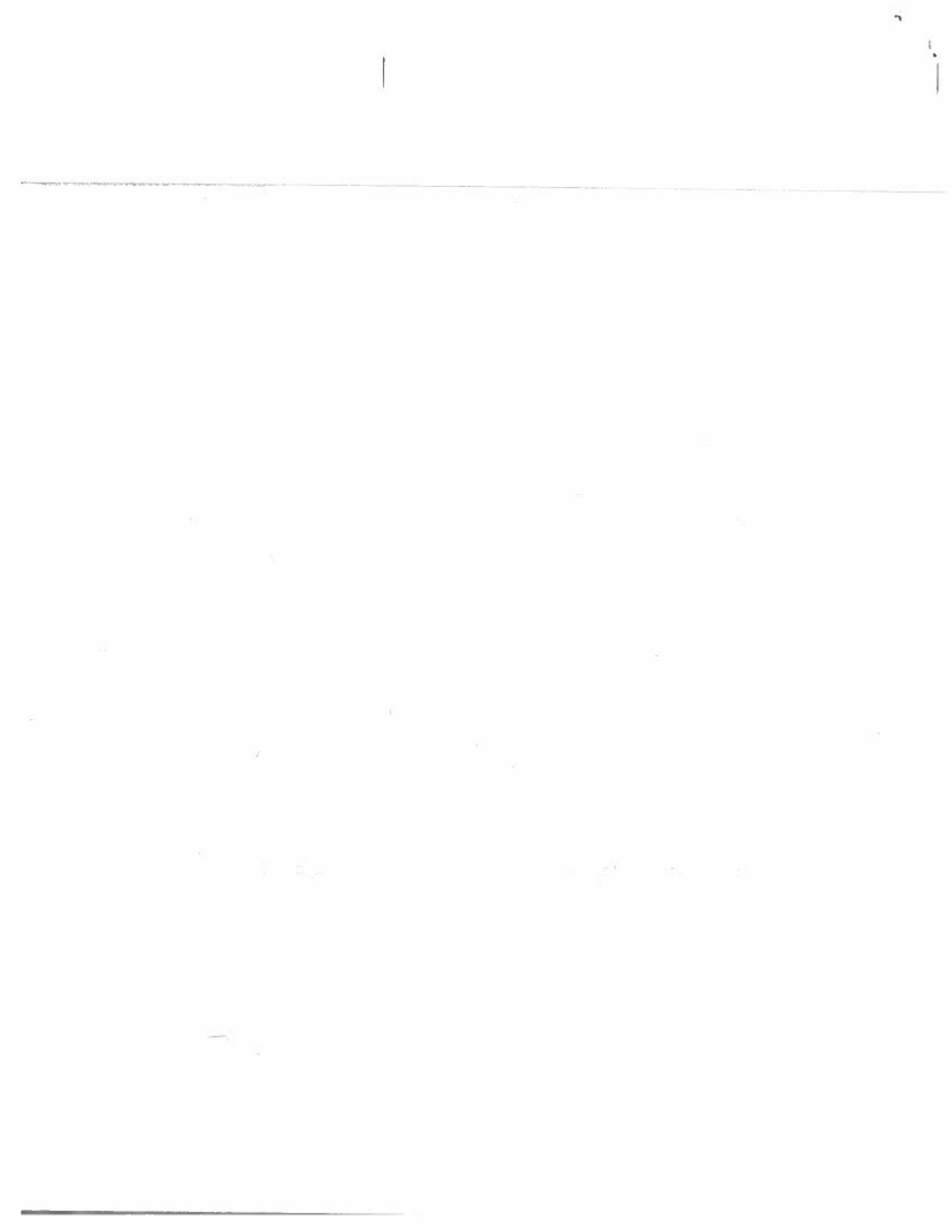
4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

it provided opportunities for Black people.
 Brooklyn was where the Black middle
 class was. They gained homes and jobs

Student Investigation

At this point we all know that the black elites existed during the Reconstruction. They were able to gain this status based on the people who fought for their rights around the country. Identify the key black contributors to the Reconstruction Era. Utilize the slide to summarize the impact of each of the contributors below.

1. Robert B Elliott
 He was appointed assistant adjutant-general;
 he was first African-American commanding
 general of the South Carolina National Guard.
2. Ida B Wells
 She dedicated her life to combatting the violence
 and racism toward African-Americans
 during the post-Reconstruction era.
3. Frederick Douglass
 Douglass was an advocate of the freedmen
 saving banks, understanding the need of
 working-class African-Americans. Former
 slaves, Black churches and charities to build
 their savings.
4. Hiram Rhodes Revels
 He fought in the battle of Vicksburg in
 Mississippi. The Mississippi state's
 legislature sent him to fill the US Senate
 during reconstruction.



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Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

Yes, I believe that they would gain influence from sympathizers and fellow black Americans.

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

The black elite is a successful black American, they are able to sustain themselves.

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show Gilded Age.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?

Jobs such as: a scientist, pharmacist, and doctor. business

2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.

Yes, some became successful and gained some sort of big role in their community.

3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

Brooklyn is where the black middle class would move.

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1. Robert B Elliott

He was a part of commanding the At South Carolina national guard to help fight the

2. Ida B Wells

She was an abolitionist who dedicated her life to stopping violence and racism towards African Americans.

3. Frederick Douglass

Douglass advocated for things that help African Americans such as the 13th

4. Hiram Rhodes Revels

He fought at Vicksburg and became a part of the Senate during Reconstruction against racial segregation.

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Reconstruction Student Response Packet

Name: Carl Allen Date: Jun 20, 2023 Class: Hunter College

Essential Question: Who were the key black figures during the Reconstruction Era and how did they demonstrate power and agency?

Do Now

Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

I do believe there was a time when black Americans began to grow power. Blacks are getting an education, their free from slavery, and their able to earn money.

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show Gilded Age.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?
African Americans were working in pharmacies, they were business owners, secretaries and servants
2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.
I do believe that African Americans gained power during this time because some Black people were able to become successful.
3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

Student Investigation

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1. Robert B Elliott

Elliott was elected to the South Carolina House of Representatives in 1862. He was the first African-American commanding general of the South Carolina National Guard.

2. Ida B Wells

Ida B Wells was a journalist, abolitionist, and feminist. She dedicated her life to combating the violence and racism toward African Americans during the post-Reconstruction era.

3. Frederick Douglass

Douglass was an early advocate of the Freedman's Saving Bank, understanding the need of working-class African Americans, former slaves, and Black churches and charities to build their savings.

4. Hiram Rhodes Revels

Revels raised two black regiments during the Civil War and fought at the Battle of Vicksburg in Mississippi. The Mississippi state legislature sent him to fill a vacancy in the U.S. Senate during Reconstruction.

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Reconstruction Student Response Packet Exit Ticket

Name: Carl Allen **Date:** Jan 20, 2023 **Class:** Hunter College

Prompt: how did the Black elite demonstrate power and agency during the Reconstruction era?
Ensure your response includes background and context, a thesis, two pieces of evidence and analysis, and a conclusion

From the start, in 1619, Black people never had rights and were stuck under the control of white people.

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Reconstruction Student Response Packet

Name: Ton B. Date: January 20th Class: Hunter (8C)

Essential Question: Who were the key black figures during the Reconstruction Era and how did they demonstrate power and agency?

Do Now

Based on what you know from prior classes, do you believe that there was a point in time when black Americans began to grow in power?

Yes, there was a point in time where black Americans grew in power. (where they earned places in government, were able to market their own businesses and profit, etc. Black wall street)

Background and Context

What do you think is a black elite? What characteristics do they possess?

The Black elite was probably a group of black Americans born without enslavement accumulating their wealth, producing businesses and asserting their rights in the world.

Respond to the following prompts as you watch and analyze this featurette video from the show *Gilded Age*.

1. What kind of jobs were African Americans getting during this time in America?
Pharmacists, entrepreneurship, business owners, doctors, lawyers, and scientists. (servants.)
2. Do you believe that African Americans gained power during this time? Explain.
Yes because they asserted their place and establishment in the world by producing businesses and working/fighting for pieces of work.
3. Based on the featurette, what surprised you the most and what did you already know from past lessons?
what surprised me specifically was seeing what black people were able to accomplish in a world full of people that never want to see them thrive.

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4. What makes the Reconstruction in Brooklyn so significant?

Reconstruction in Brooklyn was significant because Brooklyn was basically a passageway for Black Americans to grow.

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1. Robert B Elliott
 1868 - elected to South Carolina house of representatives + became the first AA in the SC national guard. helped in forming a fight against the KKK
2. Ida B Wells
 Journalist, abolitionist, and feminist who centered her life around combating racism and violence towards AA's post-reconstruction.
3. Frederick Douglass
 Early advocate of the Freedman's Savings bank, understood what Black people needed as a working community who was establishing their place in the world.
4. Hiram Rhodes Revels
 - outspoken opponent of racial segregation
 - raised 2 regiments during the Civil War + fought in the battle of Vicksburg, Mississippi
 - was sent a vacancy to fill in as U.S. Senate

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Reconstruction Student Response Packet Exit Ticket

Name: Toni B. Date: January 20th Class: Hunter

Prompt: how did the Black elite demonstrate power and agency during the Reconstruction era?
Ensure your response includes background and context, a thesis, two pieces of evidence and analysis, and a conclusion

Reconstruction was the time period from 1865-1877 following the U.S. Civil war. It was a time where everybody was trying to repair the damages from the war while also making the U.S. more integrated. Slavery was abolished and Black Americans were trying to establish their way in the world. Racism was still present and for some time.

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