The Rise and Fall of Reconstruction in Virginia Test

Directions: Read each question carefully. Choose the best answer for each question and circle the letter. (2 pts. each)

1) Why was the land in Virginia in ruins following the Civil War?
   a) People moved to the cities.
   b) Animals got loose and trampled the crops.
   c) There were many large fires following a big storm.
   d) Many battles in Virginia destroyed crops, buildings and bridges.

2) Which of these is a service NOT provided by the Freedman’s Bureau?
   a) Ex-slaves received land to grow their own food.
   b) Medical care
   c) Schools
   d) Help finding housing

3) In order to rejoin the Union, Virginia was required to
   a) Allow women to vote.
   b) Close schools opened by the Freedmen’s Bureau.
   c) Write a new state constitution.
   d) Build factories.

4) Laws designed to discriminate against African Americans were called
   a) Suffrage.
   b) Jim Crow Laws.
   c) Sharecropping.
   d) Articles of Confederation.

5) Who was the President during Reconstruction?
   a) Robert E. Lee
   b) Douglas Wilder
   c) Andrew Johnson
   d) Abraham Lincoln

6) Sharecropping was a system designed to
   a) Help Carpetbaggers.
   b) Provide African Americans with 40 acres and a mule
   c) Restore the old plantation system with enslaved workers
   d) Use land to grow crops on plantations and provide poor white farmers and African Americans with work.

7) Which of the following was a right granted to African Americans in the new Constitution?
   a) Suffrage
   b) Free housing
c) A job  
d) Marriage licenses

8) African Americans couldn’t join whites in which of the following places

   a) Libraries  
   b) Colleges  
   c) Hospitals  
   d) All of the above

9) What was given to sharecroppers who agreed to work a share of the former plantation?

   a) Seed  
   b) House  
   c) Clothing  
   d) Fair wages

10) Why did the RADICAL Republicans from the North want to punish southerners?

    a) Southern states seceded from the Union.  
    b) They weren’t paying their taxes.  
    c) They were loyalists.  
    d) They were carpetbaggers.
Essay Questions: Answer the following questions in paragraph format. (5pts. each)

1. What were three solutions the government of the United States tried in an attempt to reunite the North and South after the Civil War?

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2. Draw a picture of Richmond or a plantation after the Civil War. (5 pts.)

1) Include as many details as possible.
2) Include a caption describing your illustration.
3) Give your picture a title.