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Graphic Organizer

Reconstruction Point Counterpoint

Issue for Discussion

To what extent did Reconstruction help African Americans? Did African Americans get trapped in a situation similar to slavery, or did they make any progress during this period?

Argument A

Summarize this claim in one sentence using your own words:

Select and record the sentences that best demonstrate the historian's argument:

Argument B

Summarize this claim in one sentence using your own words:

Select and record the sentences that best demonstrate the historian's argument:

1. Which argument do you find more convincing? Explain what evidence led you to this point of view.

2. List at least two primary sources that could provide additional context to help you evaluate the arguments presented in this point-counterpoint.
