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## The Road to Rights and Reconstruction

The years after the Civil War were hard ones. It was a time of rebuilding, or reconstructing, the nation. Cut out the strips at the bottom of the page. Decide the order of the events listed on the strips. Glue them in place on the road shown below.

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| <p>After the Civil Rights Act, the 14th Amendment was passed. All former slaves were made citizens.</p>                                | <p>Along with gaining citizenship, some former slaves from the South were elected to Congress.</p>               |
| <p>Newly freed slaves began to build new lives. They formed communities. They built churches and schools. They started businesses.</p> | <p>Congress created a group to help former slaves in March 1865. The group was called the Freedmen's Bureau.</p> |
| <p>Other laws were passed in the 1870s to help protect former slaves from unfair treatment.</p>  | <p>Almost two years later, the 15th Amendment gave African-American men the right to vote.</p>                   |
| <p>The Civil Rights Act of 1866 stated that all people born in the United States were citizens.</p>                                    | <p>The 13th Amendment was passed in December 1865. It ended slavery in the United States.</p>                    |