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The 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America address the issues of slavery and guarantee equal protection under the law for all citizens.

Basic provisions of the Amendments

13th Amendment:

bans slavery in the United States and any of its territories.

14th Amendment:

grants citizenship to all persons born in the United States and guarantees them equal protection under the law.

15th Amendment:

ensures all citizens the right to vote regardless of race or color or previous condition of servitude.

These three amendments guarantee equal protection under the law for all citizens.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the effects of Reconstruction on American life by
a) identifying the provisions of the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America and their impact on the expansion of freedom in America.