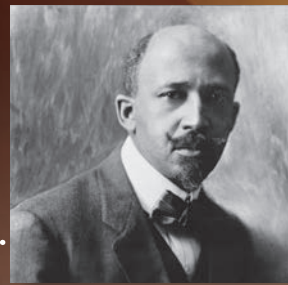
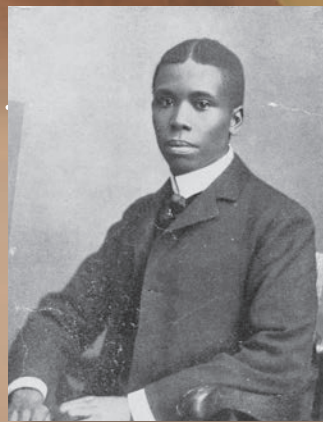


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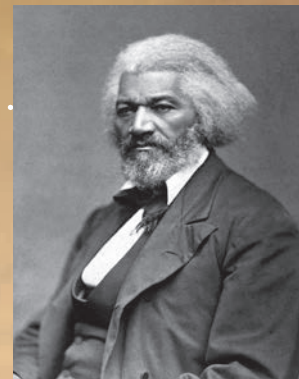
## PART II: Emancipation and Reconstruction



Paul Laurence Dunbar



Jessie Redmon Fauset



Frederick Douglass



Harriet Jacobs



Langston Hughes



Booker T. Washington



**1863** Reconstruction begins as the Emancipation Proclamation takes effect, freeing slaves in Confederate States.

**1865** The Thirteenth Amendment outlaws slavery throughout the United States, freeing all remaining slaves.

The Ku Klux Klan is founded by Confederate Army veterans.

**1868** The Fourteenth Amendment overrides the Supreme Court's decision in Dred Scott v. Sandford and grants citizenship to anyone born in the U.S.

W. E. B. Du Bois is born in Massachusetts.

**1870** The Fifteenth Amendment declares that no one may be prohibited from voting on the basis of race or former status as a slave.

**1872** Paul Laurence Dunbar is born in Ohio.

**1876** Jim Crow segregation begins, as local and state laws are passed mandating the segregation of public facilities like restaurants, schools, and buses.

**1877** The Reconstruction period ends when Federal troops are withdrawn from the South.

**1879** Thousands of African Americans migrate from the South to the Midwest in what becomes known as the "Black Exodus."

**1882** Jessie Redmon Fauset is born in New Jersey.

**1895** Booker T. Washington delivers the opening address at the Cotton States and International Exposition.

Frederick Douglass dies.

**1896** In the case of Plessy v. Ferguson, the Supreme Court rules in favor of "separate but equal" facilities, thus upholding Jim Crow segregation laws.

**1897** Harriet Jacobs dies.

**1902** Langston Hughes is born in Missouri.

**1903** W. E. B. Du Bois publishes *The Souls of Black Folk*.

**1905** Du Bois and William Monroe Trotter begin the Niagara Movement, a precursor to the NAACP (which would be founded in 1909).

**1906** Paul Laurence Dunbar dies.

**1913** Federal laws are issued segregating workplaces and public areas nationwide.

**1914** World War I begins.

**1915** Booker T. Washington dies.

**1918** World War I ends.

Timeline