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Spelling Vocabulary H17

ANSWER KEY

Suffixes: -acious, -cious, -tious, -ious · Social Studies: Reconstruction

Read each definition. Write the spelling word that matches it.

1. **superstitious** — believing in luck or magic
2. **ambitious** — eager to succeed
3. **precious** — very valuable
4. **vivacious** — lively
5. **cautious** — careful
6. **segregation** — separating people by race
7. **fictitious** — made up
8. **freedmen** — formerly enslaved people
9. **conscious** — awake and aware
10. **tenacious** — holding on firmly
11. **citizenship** — being a member of a country
12. **sharecropper** — a farmer who paid rent with crops
13. **infectious** — spreading easily
14. **Reconstruction** — rebuilding the South after the Civil War
15. **suffrage** — the right to vote
16. **malicious** — meaning to cause harm
17. **suspicious** — distrustful
18. **audacious** — bold
19. **discrimination** — unfair treatment
20. **carpetbagger** — a Northerner who went South after the war

WORD BANK

vivacious	tenacious	citizenship	sharecropper
precious	conscious	carpetbagger	discrimination
freedmen	ambitious	infectious	cautious
Reconstruction	suspicious	audacious	suffrage
segregation	fictitious	superstitious	malicious