

Civil War Scavenger Hunt Activity

Materials:

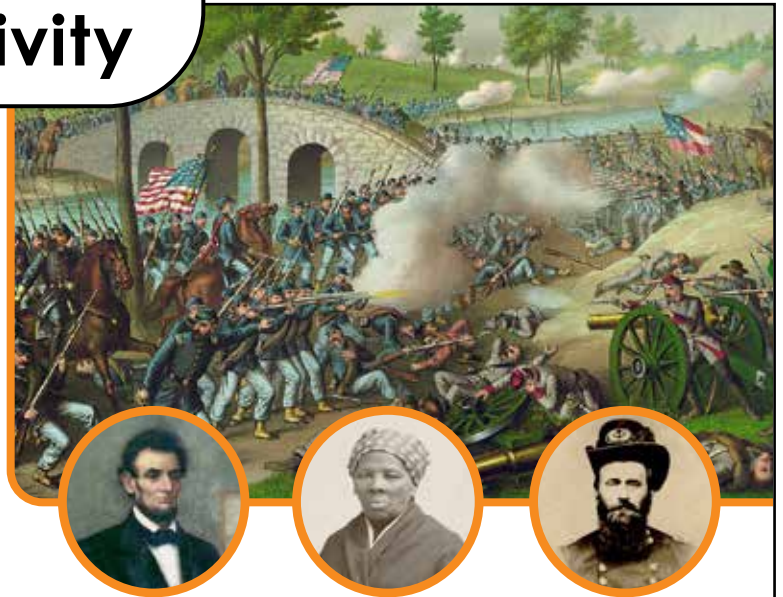
- 18 Civil War fact cards (pages 2–6)
- Civil War questions worksheet (pages 7–8)
- scissors
- scotch tape

Preparation

Print the fact cards and cut them apart.

Make copies of the Civil War questions worksheet (2-sided). Each student will need his or her own copy.

Hide all 18 Civil War fact cards around your classroom where students will be able to find



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Management tips

You may want to make this a silent activity so students don't share answers with each other.

You can have the kids work by themselves or with partners.

Don't be afraid to hide the facts in tough places. Kids think it's more fun when they have to search around a little.

Examples of good hiding spots might include:

- sticking out of a book, like a bookmark
- the back of the classroom door
- lying flat on the classroom bookshelf
- on the side of the bookshelf
- on the back of the teacher's chair

Have a plan for students who finish early. You may want to have an assignment for them to complete when they're done, or you may have them help other students find fact cards.

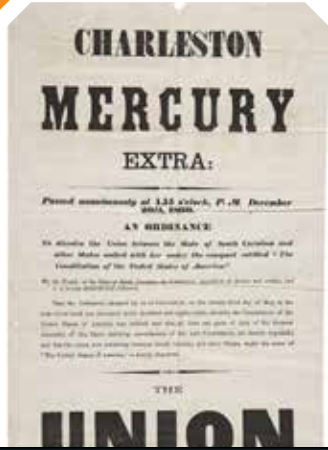


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Fact Card

1



South Carolina was the first to secede from, or leave, the Union on December 20, 1860. On June 8, 1861, Tennessee

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Soldiers didn't just use horses or boats. War balloons were used mostly to spy. The first successful submarine attack was by the Confederate *H. L. Hunley*, though it sank too.

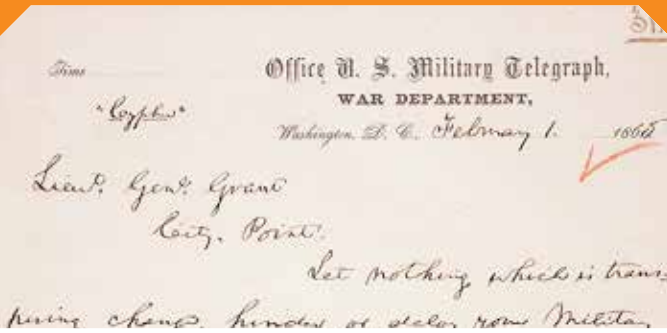


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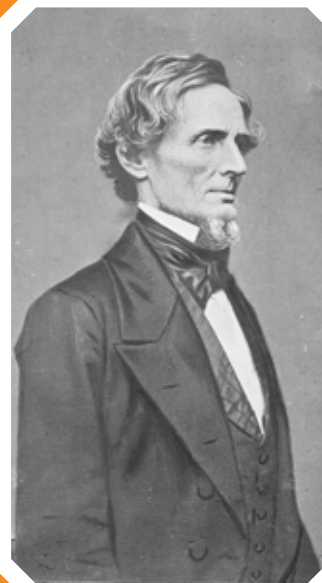
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Lincoln could spend hours a day with war telegrams. The White House wasn't wired for them, so he went to the War Department across the street.

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Jefferson Davis was officially president of the Confederate States of America from February 1862 to May 1865. He fell sick and died in 1889.



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By war's end, there were about 175 Union regiments, or groups, of Black soldiers. The Army and Navy had about 200,000 Black members total.



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Robert E. Lee was a serious and driven leader. It helped earn him a nickname as a student at West Point: "Marble Model"



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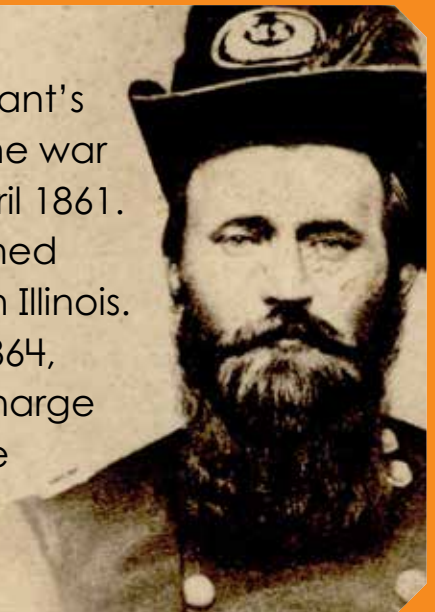


Union surgeon Mary Walker, pictured, is the only woman with a Medal of Honor. Confederate nurse Sally Tompkins was the first official female American army member.

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Ulysses S. Grant's first role in the war came in April 1861. He only trained volunteers in Illinois. By March 1864, he was in charge of the whole Union Army.





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Historians estimate up to 20,000 Native Americans fought in the Civil War. Many fought with the Confederates. Others helped the Union.



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Two states were born from the Civil War. West Virginia split from



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The January 1, 1863 Emancipation Proclamation only ended slavery in some states. On December 6, 1865, the 13th Amendment ended it in all of them.



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The Battle of Antietam—also called the Battle of Sharpsburg—was the deadliest day for Americans. About 3,750 died. Another 19,000 were hurt.



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About 50,000 people were killed or hurt at Gettysburg. Union soldier Paul J. Revere, pictured, died from his wounds. He was folk hero

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In April 1865, Lincoln became the first president assassinated, or killed in office. A assassin



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While untrained soldiers ran at the First Battle of Bull Run, then-Colonel Jackson, pictured, stood firm. Barnard Elliott Bee Jr. said he was a "stone wall." The nickname stuck.

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Harriet Tubman was the first U.S. woman to lead a serious military operation. The 1863 Combahee Ferry Raid freed more than 700 slaves.





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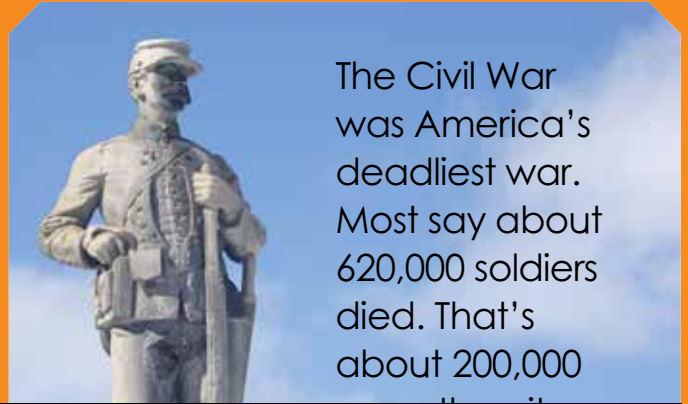
Some call the 13th–15th Amendments (1865–1870) the

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The Civil War was America's deadliest war. Most say about 620,000 soldiers died. That's about 200,000



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Fact Card 1: What was the 11th state to secede? When?

Fact Card 2: What was the first-ever successful war submarine?

Fact Card 3: Where was Lincoln's War Department?



Fact Card 6: What nickname did Robert E. Lee's classmates give him?

Fact Card 7: Who was the first woman to officially be part of an American army?

Fact Card 8: Ulysses S. Grant first served in the war by doing what? Where?

Fact Card 9: Which side did Native American tribes and nations support?

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Fact Card 10: Which two states gained statehood during the Civil War?

Fact Card 11: When was slavery ended in all of the U.S.?

Fact Card 12: What are two names for America's deadliest single-day battle?



Fact Card 15: Who gave Stonewall Jackson his nickname?

Fact Card 16: What year was the first women-led U.S. military operation? Who led it?

Fact Card 17: The Civil War Amendments were passed between which years?

Fact Card 18: About how many more Americans died in the Civil War than WWII?

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Side A

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Tennessee; June 8, 1861

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