

The Civil War

- 1. When was the Civil War fought and how long did it last?
- 2. Describe the Southern economy and the role that slavery played in it.
- 3. Describe 4 things about the North at the time of the Civil War.
- 4. As a result of their different ways of life, what goal did the North and South each have?

- 5. Why did the election of Abraham Lincoln upset so many southerners?
- 6. What is secession and what was the Confederate States of America?
- 7. What occurred at Fort Sumter and why was this significant?
- 8. What were 5 strengths of the Union (the North) during the war?

- 9. What were 4 strengths of the Confederacy (the South)?
- 10. What was the Northern strategy to win the war?
- 11. The South planned to fight a war of attrition. What does that mean?
- 12. What mistakes did the North and the South each make about the length of the war?

- 13. What was the significance of the first battle of Bull Run?
- 14. What was the significance of the Battle of Gettysburg?
- 15. Why did General Lee extend the age of the draft in the South? What did many soldiers do?
- 16. Why were there draft riots in the North?

- 17. What was the Emancipation Proclamation and why was it important?
- 18. Did black soldiers fight in the war? Explain.
- 19. Why did the North eventually win the Civil War?
- 20. Who was John Wilkes Booth and what became of him?
- 21. How many soldiers died during the Civil War and how does this compare to other wars?

Homework Essay

- In **3/4 - 1 page (approx. 200-250 words)** take on the role of either a Northerner or Southerner and *write a letter to one of your relatives at the end of the Civil War*. In this letter you should describe what you have seen and/or lived through during the past four years. You can also discuss the period leading up to the war. You may be either a soldier or a civilian, but you **must use at least 5 facts** from your notes/homework (and **number them** in your essay).