

To: Whom It May Concern

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**Subject: School Closure; PANDEMIC - March & April
Curriculum/Assignments**

**All assignments are to be completed during the school
closure period. PLEASE E-MAIL TEACHER
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**1. ASSIGNMENTS ARE AND WILL BE POSTED ON
“GOOGLE CLASSROOM”. PLEASE REVIEW YOUR
GOOGLE CLASSROOM PORTAL FOR
INSTRUCTIONS...**

**2. KAGAN PACKET: THE WARS BETWEEN THE
STATES...Please instructions as stated on each of
the pages... If you have any questions, please e-
mail your question[s] to your teacher
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The War Between the States

Attrition Contributes to Defeat

Many crucial events took place during the Civil War that led to the final outcome. The industrial might and strength of the North eventually wore down the South. Confederate soldiers were without food and shoes at the conclusion

of the war. The numerical superiority of the North took its toll on the Confederacy. General William Sherman's devastating march through Georgia brought the horror of war directly to civilians in the South.

Directions:
Sequence six major events you feel led to the end of the Confederacy.

Event 1:

Event 2:

Event 3:

Event 4:

Event 5:

Event 6:





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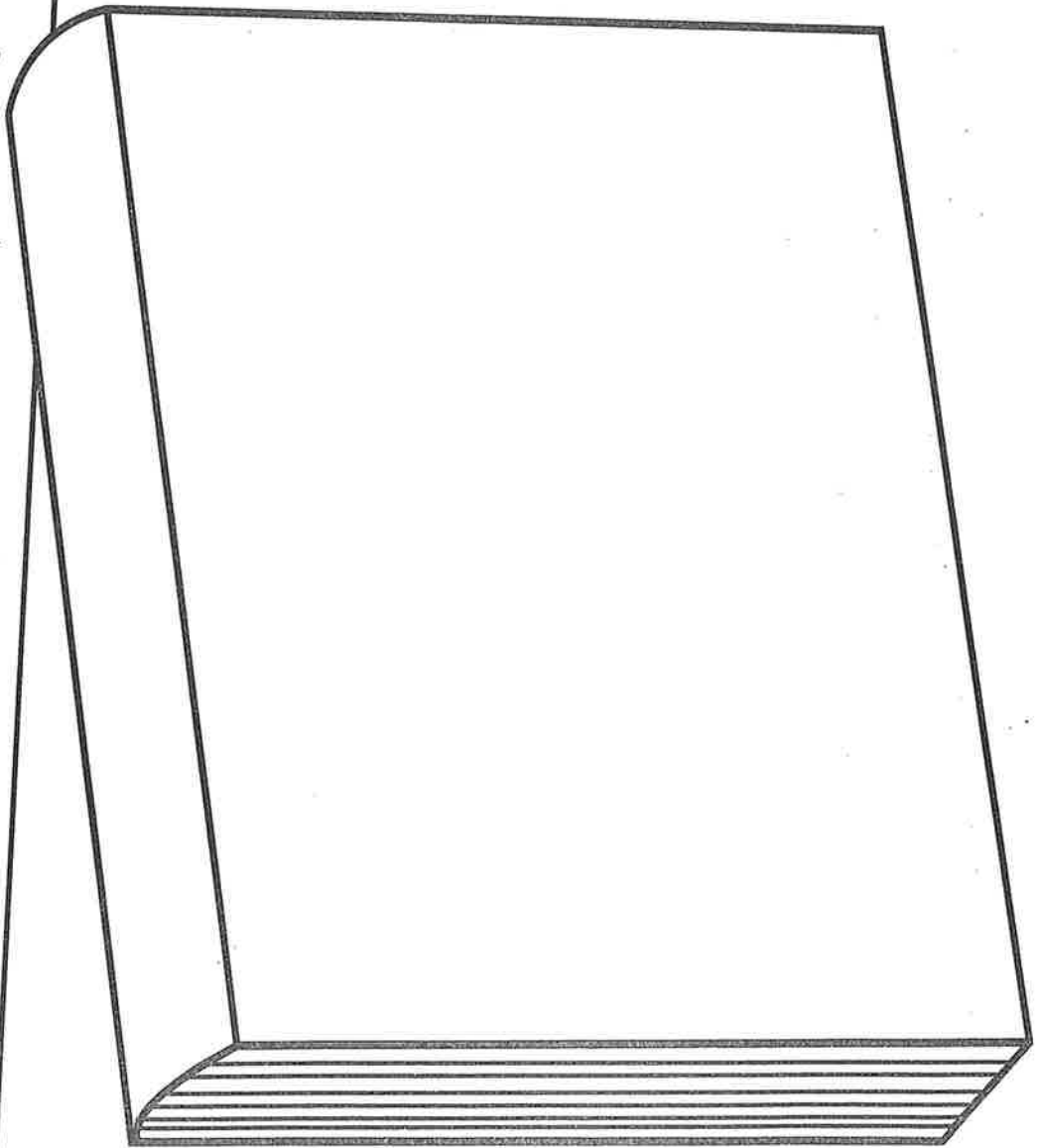
Documenting the Civil War

Today, there are thousands of great books about the Civil War. These books are on a library shelf or in your classroom waiting to be discovered. These books cover any topic you can imagine about the Civil War. You can read about Civil War battles, generals, medicine, food, prisons, uniforms, and weapons. Books shed great insight into the Civil War, one of the most dramatic times in all of American history.



Directions:

Now imagine you are an author and plan to write a book about the Civil War. You need a title and picture on the front cover. A colorful picture and interesting title might capture the attention of a reader. You may design your book on any Civil War topic, event, or person. Create a design or picture on the front of your book. Then, write the title of the book on the cover. Be sure to place your name as the author at the bottom.



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The Importance of Terrain

Soldiers fought across all kinds of terrain during the Civil War. These included mountains, harbors, valleys, river bottoms, swamps, and open fields. Some generals used the land to gain an advantage over the other side. A good general had to be able to adjust quickly to all types of fighting situations. The Battle of Gettysburg is an excellent example of how the terrain helped determine the outcome of the battle.

Directions: Give a description of the land around any four of these battlefields. Then share answers with your classmates. See if you can figure out how the physical features determined which side won the battle.

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| 1. Fort Sumter | 6. Chancellorsville |
| 2. Bull Run | 7. Gettysburg |
| 3. Shiloh | 8. The Wilderness |
| 4. Antietam | 9. Chickamauga |
| 5. Fredericksburg | 10. Cold Harbor |

The graphic consists of four large, irregular shapes arranged in a 2x2 grid. Each shape is labeled 'Battlefield:'. To the right of the shapes is a small illustration of a cannon on a pile of sand.

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The Turning Point

In July 1863, a dramatic battle took place that was the turning point of the Civil War. It was the Battle of Gettysburg, which was fought in Pennsylvania. The South had won several battles leading up to Gettysburg, and their morale was high. General Robert E. Lee felt that if he could win this big battle, the North would surrender. It was not to be. For three days the battle raged. The outcome was not determined until the afternoon of the third day.

The Confederate attack led by General Pickett was crushed on Cemetery Ridge by General Meade. Tens of thousands of young soldiers lost their lives in this battle, and this event turned the tide against the Confederacy. This was the victory that President Lincoln so desperately wanted. President Lincoln later went to the battlefield to give his famous speech called the Gettysburg Address.

Fact #1	

Fact #2	

Directions:
With a partner,
list five facts
about the
Battle of
Gettysburg.

Fact #3	



Fact #4	

Fact #5	

LESSON AND LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- **ANALYZE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING 32 8TH GRADE SOCIAL SCIENCE COMMON CORE QUESTIONS...**
- **DISPLAY AND ILLUSTRATE AN UNDERSTANDING OF 18TH AND 19TH CENTURIES IN AMERICA...**
- **EXHIBIT A COMPREHENSION OF COMPLEX LITERARY AND INFORMATIONAL TEXT (TEXTBOOK)**

8th Grade Common Core Standards: QUESTIONS

1. Why was there an American Revolution?
2. How did the American Revolution develop the concept of natural rights?
3. How and why did Indians participate in the American revolution?
4. How did the alliances and treaties made by American Indians affect their relationships with both the patriots and the British?
5. How did American calls for independence inspire other nations, such as France and the French colony of Haiti?
6. What were the legacies of the American Revolution?
7. What were the long-term cost of slavery, both to people of African descent and the nation at large?
8. How much power should the federal government have, and what should the government do?
9. How did the government change during the early Republic?
10. Was the Louisiana Purchase constitutional?
11. What was life like in the Early Republic?
12. How did individual regions of the United States become both more similar and more different?
13. How did work change in the first half of the 19th century?
14. How did Americans help people in need?
15. What did freedom mean, and how did it change over time?
16. Why do periods of reform arise at certain historical moments?
17. How did the country become more connected in the first half of the 19th century?
18. What were slaves' lives like? How did slave families live in ways that were similar to and different from non-slave families?
19. How did people work to end slavery, and what opposition did they face?
20. What did the frontier mean to the nation? How did the nation's regions develop similarly and differently in the first half of the 20th century? How did family life develop in each region?
21. How did Andrew Jackson change the country?
22. How did Manifest Destiny contribute to American expansion?
23. What were the consequences of the Mexican-American War?

24. How did family life change during the first half of the 19th century?
25. Why was there a Civil War?
26. How was the United States transformed during the Civil War? How was the Civil War conducted militarily, politically, economically, and culturally?
27. How and why did the war become a war to end slavery?
28. How did Reconstruction redefine what it meant to be an American?
29. How did the Civil War change the United States?
30. How did America's economy, industries, and population grow after the Civil War?
31. Who came to the United States at the end of the 19th and beginning of the 20th century? Why did they come? What was their experience like when they arrived?
32. How did the federal government affect the country's growth in the years following the Civil War?