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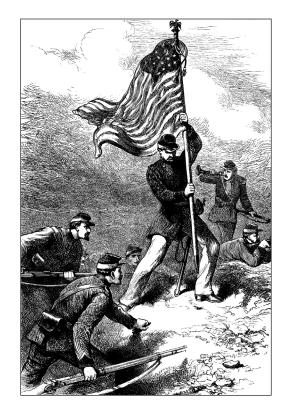
American Civil War: Battles

Have you ever visited a battlefield from the Civil war or any other war? How do you feel when you walk where history was made? Can you imagine what it would have been like to be a soldier during these battles? Let's learn about some of the battles of the war that took more American lives than any other war in history.

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Find the answers to the questions below by using the "Search" tool to search key words. Since this activity is about American Civil War battles, you can start by searching the key words "American Civil War."



Write the answers on the lines provided or below the question.

- 1. The Civil War began when Confederate forces attacked ______ on April 12, 1861.
- 2. What battle, fought on September 17, 1862, was the bloodiest single-day battle of the war?
- 3. Stonewall Jackson died not long after being shot at which battle?
- 4. Who was nicknamed "The Rock of Chickamauga"?
- 5. Where and when did the Civil War's last battle take place?

6. Confederate General John B. Hood order Confederates about 6.300 casualties, inc.	red six reckless charges, costing the luding 6 generals, at the Battle of				
7. Match the battle with the state in which1. Antietam (Sharpsburg)	A. Arkansas				
2. Chickamauga	B. Alabama				
3. Fort Sumter	C. Georgia				
4. Fredericksburg	D. Maryland				
5. Gettysburg	E. Pennsylvania				
6. Mobile Bay	F. South Carolina				
7. Pea Ridge (Elkhorn Tavern)	G. Tennessee				
8. Shiloh (Pittsburg Landing)	H. Virginia				
9. What were the names of the two ships the ironclad warships?True or False	hat fought history's first battle between				
	War battle is correct. If the statement is not correct,				
write "False" and correct the statement in the	·				
10. Union troops captured Vicks	sburg, Mississippi, the day after the Battle of Gettysburg.				
11. Abraham Lincoln issued the Battle of Gettysburg.	11. Abraham Lincoln issued the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation after the Battle of Gettysburg.				
12. Black troops were not allowed	ed to fight in any Civil War battles.				
13. The Battle of Stones River (I	Murfreesboro) had the highest casualty rate of the war.				
14. Confederate General Robert the Battle of Chancellorsvill	E. Lee defeated Union General Ambrose Burnside at e.				

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Union or Confederate Victory?

"Confederate" if Confederate forces won the battle. _15. Chattanooga _16. Chickamauga 17. Fort Donelson _18. Fredericksburg 19. Nashville 20. Second Bull Run (Second Manassas) _21. Vicksburg 22. After the battles of the Wilderness, Spotsylvania Court House, and Cold Harbor, Ulysses S. Grant was called "butcher Grant." Why was he given that nickname? 23. Why did Abraham Lincoln replace General George McClellan with General Ambrose Burnside after McClellan's victory at the Battle of Antietam? 24. Look at the "Battle of Spotsylvania Court House" article. Why would General John Sedgwick's words probably not be reassuring to his troops? 25. Look at the "Battle of Fredericksburg" article. What led Robert E. Lee to say, "It is well that war is so terrible. We should grow too fond of it."?

Using either the text of the "American Civil War" article and/or the "Major battles of the American Civil War" table, for each of the following battles, write "Union" if Union forces won the battle, or

26.	Look at the "Siege of Petersburg" article. How did Union General William Smith miss an opportunity to capture Petersburg months before it was actually captured?
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	n the "American Civil War" article, you will find the map "American Civil War: Battle of cellorsville." Study the map and answer the following questions.
27.	General Joseph Hooker's forces travelled to Chancellorsville using which road?
28.	What did Stonewall Jackson's troops do on May 2, 1863?
29.	Which river did the Union army cross when it retreated?
	n the "American Civil War" article, you will find the map "American Civil War: Battle of sburg." Study the map and answer the following questions.
30.	One of the reasons that Confederate and Union forces met at Gettysburg was because of the many roads leading into the town. Using the map, name 7 roads (or pikes) that lead into Gettysburg.
31.	What is the name of the road that the Confederate soldiers crossed to get from Seminary Ridge to Cemetery Ridge during Pickett's charge?

Timeline	
Imagine that you are a soldier who fought (and survived!)	
all of the following battles. Put the battles in order of	
when you fought in them.	
Battle of Antietam	
Battle of Chancellorsville	
Battle of Cold Harbor	
Battle of Fredericksburg	
Battle of Gettysburg	
Battle of Spotsylvania Court House	
Battle of the Wilderness	
Battles of the Seven Days	
First Battle of Bull Run (First Manassas)	
Second Battle of Bull Run (Second Manassas)	
Siege of Petersburg	

Extension Activity 1

Write a 1-2 page letter from the perspective of a Union soldier after the Battle of Gettysburg, telling your family about the battle. Tell them what happened to you and the other Union soldiers; your opinion of the decisions made by the various generals (both North and South), including your opinion of George Meade's decision not to pursue Robert E. Lee's army; and anything else you think is important.

Extension Activity 2

Imagine that your school asked you to guide a one-week Civil War battlefield tour. Which 7 battle-fields would be on your tour? Don't worry about distance, just assume that you and your classmates will be able to travel from one battlefield to the next each day. Why did you choose these 7 battle-fields? What do you expect to see at each one?

Extension Activity 3

If you could go back in time and (safely) view one Civil War battle while it was being fought, which one would it be? Why did you choose that battle? What would you see at there? Is there a certain part of this battle that you are most interested in seeing?

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Teacher Page

Answers:

- 1. The Civil War began when Confederate forces attacked Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861.
- 2. The Battle of Antietam (Sharpsburg) was the bloodiest single-day battle in the war.
- 3. Stonewall Jackson died not long after being shot at the Battle of Chancellorsville.
- 4. George H. Thomas was nicknamed "The Rock of Chickamauga."
- 5. The Civil War's last battle took place at Palmito Ranch, near the southern tip of Texas, on May 13, 1865.
- 6. Confederate General John B. Hood ordered six reckless charges, costing the Confederates about 6,300 casualties, including 6 generals, at the Battle of Franklin.
- 7. Antietam (Sharpsburg) D

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Chickamauga – C
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Fort Sumter - F

Fredericksburg - H

Gettysburg – E

Mobile Bay - B

Pea Ridge (Elkhorn Tavern) – A

Shiloh (Pittsburg Landing) – G

- 8. Many Civil War battles have two names because the Confederates named them after the nearest settlement, and Northerners named them after the nearest body of water.
- 9. History's first battle of ironclad warships was between the *Monitor* and the *Merrimack* (renamed the *Virginia*).
- 10. True
- 11. False. Abraham Lincoln issued the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation after the Battle of Antietam (Sharpsburg).
- 12. False. Blacks fought in nearly 500 Civil War engagements, including 39 major battles. About 35,000 black servicemen lost their lives.
- 13. True
- 14. False. Confederate General Robert E. Lee defeated Union General Joseph Hooker at the Battle of Chancellorsville.
- 15. Chattanooga Union
- 16. Chickamauga Confederate
- 17. Fort Donelson Union
- 18. Fredericksburg Confederate
- 19. Nashville Union

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- 20. Second Bull Run (Second Manassas) Confederate
- 21. Vicksburg Union
- 22. Grant was called "butcher Grant" because in a month of fighting he lost almost 40,000 men in those 3 battles.
- 23. Abraham Lincoln replaced George McClellan because after the victory at Antietam, McClellan (who Lincoln had long felt was not aggressive enough) had permitted the Confederate army to retreat with almost no interference.
- 24. General John Sedgwick was killed by a sharpshooter moments after saying that the Confederates "couldn't hit an elephant at that distance."
- 25. Robert E. Lee made the comment after watching repeated Union attacks against Marye's Heights get slaughtered. At the Battle of Fredericksburg, the Union army suffered approximately 13,000 casualties, mostly in front of Marye's Heights.
- 26. In the middle of June, despite having a much larger force, Smith was reluctant to order a direct assault against the Confederates. After he quickly defeated the Confederates when he finally did attack, he waited for reinforcements before trying to capture the city. While the Union army waited, the Confederate army was able to send reinforcements, forcing Ulysses S. Grant to have to take Petersburg by siege.
- 27. General Joseph Hooker travelled to Chancellorsville using Ely's Ford Road.
- 28. On May 2, 1863, Stonewall Jackson's troops marched behind Union positions.
- 29. The Union army retreated across the Rappahannock River.
- 30. The 7 roads are Chambersburg Pike, York Pike, Hanover Road, Baltimore Pike, Taneytown Road, Emmitsburg Road, and Hagerstown Road.
- 31. The Confederates crossed the Emmitsburg Road during Pickett's charge.

Timeline

The correct order of the battles is:

First Battle of Bull Run (First Manassas)

Battles of the Seven Days

Second Battle of Bull Run (Second Manassas)

Battle of Antietam

Battle of Fredericksburg

Battle of Chancellorsville

Battle of Gettysburg

Battle of the Wilderness

Battle of Spotsylvania Court House

Battle of Cold Harbor

Siege of Petersburg

Extension Activities 1, 2, and **3**: Answers will vary.