

America's 16th President



Happy Birthday, Mr. Lincoln!

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Abraham Lincoln

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176 AMERICAN MILESTONES

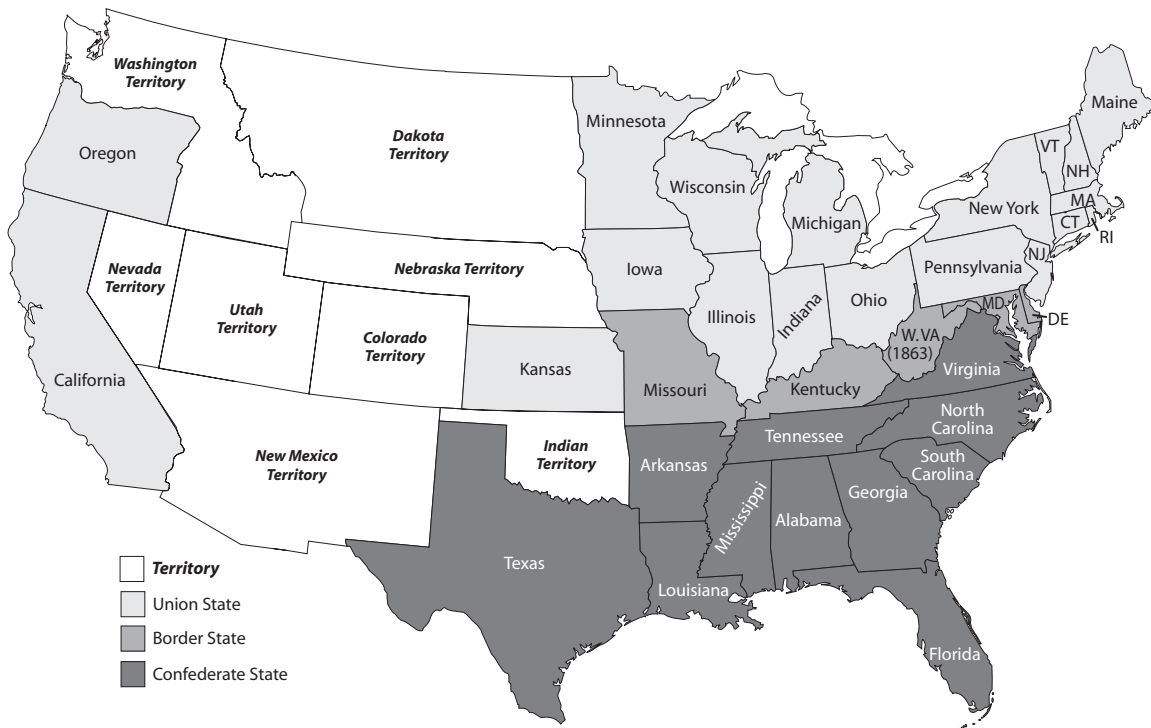
SAMPLE FREE OR NOT FREE?



In the 1800s, some states in the union allowed slavery and some states did not. As of 1860, the slave states included Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

Eleven of the slave states left the Union during the Civil War. There were four slave states that did not leave the Union. They included Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland and Missouri.

The map below shows how the United States looked in 1861. List the eleven states that left the Union and joined the Confederacy.



1. _____
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3. _____
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10. _____
11. _____

SAMPLE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION

During the Civil War, President Lincoln announced the Emancipation Proclamation. It stated that all blacks in Confederate states were free, but it did not free any slaves in the border states. Unfortunately, the Confederate states ignored the proclamation because they did not recognize Lincoln as their leader.



Using his special wartime powers, Lincoln enacted the Proclamation without the approval of Congress. It went into effect on January 1, 1863.

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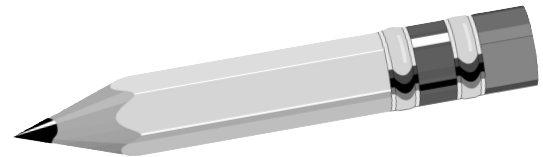


enact: to pass a law

Slavery was not abolished in the United States until the 13th Amendment to the Constitution was passed in 1865.



Draw a line from the words on the left to their definitions on the right.



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|-----------------|---|
| 1. emancipation | A. being under the control of another person |
| 2. proclamation | B. freeing someone from the control of another |
| 3. slavery | C. to do away with; end |
| 4. abolish | D. a correction or alteration, as in a manuscript |
| 5. amendment | E. a formal public statement |

SAMPLE WHAT DID HE SAY?



The Battle of Gettysburg started on July 1, 1863. After three bloody days of fighting, the Confederate Army retreated. The Union had won! With over 50,000 casualties on both sides, the Battle of Gettysburg is considered to be the turning point of the Civil War.

In November 1863, a ceremony was held at Gettysburg to dedicate a national cemetery. It honored the soldiers who had died in that great battle. President Lincoln made his most famous speech there, known as the Gettysburg Address. It was only 270 words and lasted for only two minutes! It begins:

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Some people that day were disappointed. They thought that the speech was too short. Even Abraham Lincoln thought the speech was a failure! But more than 100 years later, his words live on:

...and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.



score: a group of 20 items

casualty: one injured, killed, captured, or missing in action in a war

Find the answers in the Word Search below.



Gettysburg
battle
Pennsylvania
memorial
cemetery
soldier
Lincoln
speech
Union

O Q E A M F C S Q H W A H W F
F F W O K E O I J M I L C R B
O G P P F L M R O N M Q E K K
X E S G D Z F O A D I X E E Z
U V L I Z I S V R K D E P I H
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SAMPLE HE SAVED AMERICA

When the Civil War began in 1861, Abraham Lincoln had only been president for a few weeks. Now he was faced with a war more terrible than anyone could imagine. His plan to keep the nation united at all costs was fought by thousands of men. Sacrifices were made on both sides.

Lincoln bore this heavy burden for four years. Despite the terrible stress and heartache, he held our nation together and worked to end slavery.



When the Civil War ended in 1865, Lincoln stated that he wanted to restore the Union peacefully and quickly. He had plans to ensure the freedom of all slaves by proposing an amendment to the U.S. Constitution. But Lincoln would not live to see the 13th Amendment passed. He would be the victim of an assassin's bullet.

Write T for True and F for False.

1. ____ The Civil War began in 1890.
2. ____ Abraham Lincoln had been president for three years when the Civil War began.
3. ____ President Lincoln was determined to keep the Union together.
4. ____ Few people men died fighting the Civil War.
5. ____ The 13th Amendment ensured the freedom of all slaves.
6. ____ President Lincoln died before the 13th Amendment was passed into law.
7. ____ The Civil War ended in 1865.

