

Civil War Project (for teams of 2)

Overview:

Our goal is to tell the story of the military side of the Civil War by taking an up-close look at nine major battles of the war. We want to get a feel for the importance of these battles and how they were fought, mainly using maps and pictures.

Instructions:

- Each group will consist of two students.
 - Build a PowerPoint presentation on your assigned battle.
 - Your presentation should be 10 minutes long.
 - Be sure to include lots of maps and pictures to help us understand the "W's" of the battle (Who, What, Why, Where, When)
 - Be sure to collect your slides into 1 presentation before you get to the classroom.
- Student 1 will cover the following information:
- Why did the battle occur?
 - What were the objectives of the battle?
 - When was the battle fought?
 - Who were the major US and Confederate commanders?
 - What were the relative strengths and numbers of the troops involved?

Student 2 will cover the following information:

- Give a brief description of the battle:
 - Major events
 - Tactics
 - Affect of new technology (if any)?
- What were the outcome/results of the battle?
 - Losses on both sides
 - Effect on the overall war
- How does the battle fit into the grand plan of both the US and the Confederacy?

Battles to Cover

-We will cover the following battles in order (4 per day):

Number	Battle	Date	Presenter
1	Fort Sumter	Dec 1861	George Blair
2	1 st Manassas	Jul 1861	
3	1 st & 2 nd Battle of Hampton Roads (USS Monitor vs CSS Virginia)	Mar 1862	
4	Shiloh	Apr 1862	
5	Antietam	Sept 1862	
6	Fredericksburg	Nov 1862	
7	Vicksburg	Apr-Jul 1863	
8	Chancellorsville	May 1863	

9	Gettysburg	Jul 1863	
10	Chickamauga	Sept 1863	
11	Wilderness	May 1864	
12	Atlanta	May-Sep 1864	
13	Battle of Mobile Bay	Aug 1864	
14	Petersburg	Apr 1864	
15	Appomattox Court House	Apr 1865	