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What was The Civil War?

DO NOW: WHAT CAUSED THE CIVIL WAR?

The Civil War 1861-1862

- ▶ 1861—Lincoln becomes president
- ▶ Primary goal → to preserve the Union
 - ▶ April 15 → S.C. attacks Fort Sumter
 - ▶ Lincoln calls for 75,000 troops to end rebellion
 - ▶ This is the beginning of the Civil War



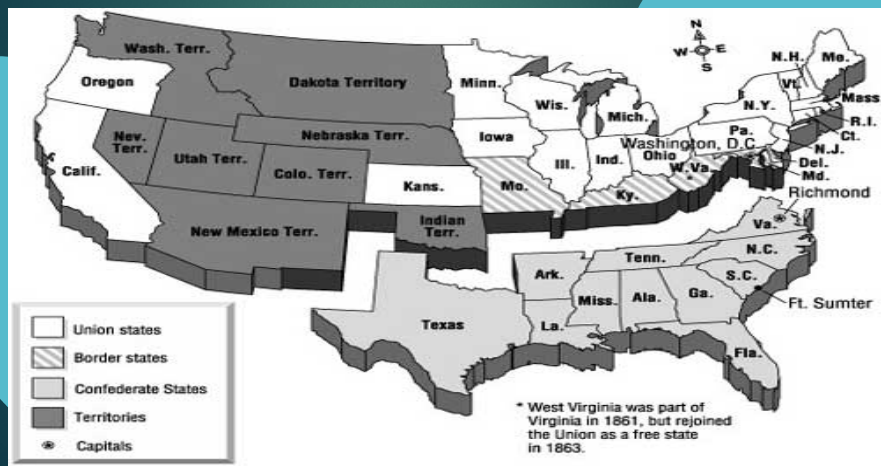
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- ▶ Lincoln suspends the writ of habeas corpus (allows him to arrest traitors without cause) to keep Maryland in the Union
- ▶ Why can he do this?



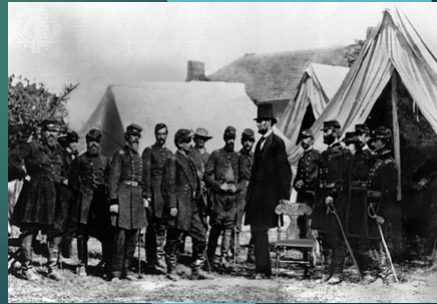
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- ▶ 11 Southern states form the Confederate States of America (the Confederacy)



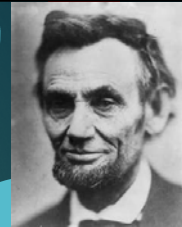
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- ▶ The South won most of the war's early battles
- ▶ They were trying to get foreign help (either Great Britain or France)
- ▶ The war was unpopular in the North
- ▶ September 1862 → Battle of Antietam
 - ▶ Enables Lincoln to issue the **Emancipation Proclamation**



Emancipation Proclamation

- ▶ Frees all slaves in the southern states → not all slaves, not any slaves in northern/border states
- ▶ Abolitionists are unhappy, but the real reason for the proclamation is to give purpose to the war
- ▶ The war is now also about abolition—ending slavery as the North conquers the South
- ▶ G.B. and France now will not help the South fight against a nation committed to abolition
- ▶ The Emancipation Proclamation is an important turning point of the Civil War



"If I could save the Union without freeing *any* slave I would do it, and if I could save it by freeing *all* the slaves I would do it; and if I could save it by freeing some and leaving others alone I would also do that."

Civil War 1863

- ▶ Two battles change the course of the war
- ▶ 1. Vicksburg (Mississippi)
 - ▶ North captures town, entire Miss. R., splits the Confederacy into two
- ▶ 2. Gettysburg (Pennsylvania)
 - ▶ North stops a 2nd invasion by the South
 - ▶ 50,000 casualties total

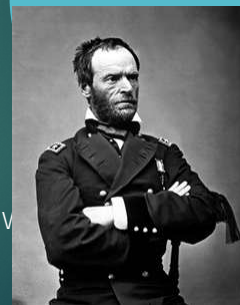
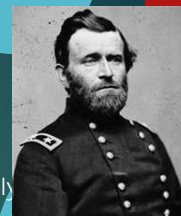
In November 1863, Lincoln issues the Gettysburg Address

--It defines the purpose of the Civil War



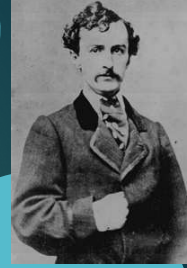
Civil War 1864-1865

- ▶ The Union promoted Ulysses Grant to the head of the Army - he is willing to accept many casualties to win (100,000s die in the last year of the war)
- ▶ Grant and Lee (head of Southern army) deadlock in Virginia
- ▶ Sherman (North) leads Union across the South
 - ▶ Captures Atlanta, which leads to Lincoln's re-election in 1864
 - ▶ Sherman destroys Georgia and South Carolina ("March to the Sea")

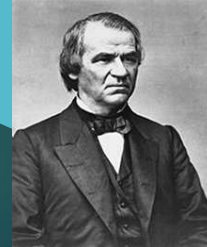


Civil War 1864-1865

- ▶ By April 1865, the Northern Army has worn out the Southern Army
- ▶ April 9, 1865 → the South surrenders to end the war
- ▶ April 15 → Lincoln is assassinated by John Wilkes Booth
 - ▶ VP Andrew Johnson becomes the new President
 - ▶ Johnson was the only Southern senator to stay loyal to the Union



▶ John Wilkes Booth



▶ Andrew Johnson

Impact of the Civil War

- ▶ 4 million slaves are freed
- ▶ 600,000 dead
- ▶ The United States stays together
- ▶ The federal government establishes its supremacy over the states
- ▶ Sparks industrialization in the North

