

# America: The Story of Us - The Civil War

## Learning Targets:

- I can identify the military factors that lead to a Union victory in the Civil War
- I can assess the impact of technology in determining the outcome of the Civil War.

**Directions:** Answer the following questions while watching the History Channel's *America: The Story of Us - The Civil War*. Please do not forget that there are 2 *critical thinking* questions on the backside. This worksheet will be collected at the end of the period, so do your best when completing it.

1. What is the special new bullet used in the war called? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What determines if you live or die during many battles of the Civil War? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. "What made it particularly tragic (the Civil War), was the modern \_\_\_\_\_ meeting \_\_\_\_\_ tactics, so the death rates were truly appalling."
4. How many are dead at the end of the war? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What do soldiers do to make sure they can be identified if they die? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What makes the railroad Lincoln's secret weapon during the Civil War? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. For the 1<sup>st</sup> time in history \_\_\_\_\_ is put behind the war effort.
8. What other invention helps Lincoln and the North win the war? \_\_\_\_\_
9. What can Lincoln send to officers that usually the president doesn't do? \_\_\_\_\_
10.  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the medical procedures done during the Civil War are...\_\_\_\_\_.
11. How did most people die during the Civil War? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Nurse Clara Barton founded the \_\_\_\_\_ after the Civil War.
13. What helps keep the public informed of the horrors of war? \_\_\_\_\_
14. What is the purpose of embalming people after they die? \_\_\_\_\_
15. What does Lincoln do in 1863 that shocks everyone? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Who joins the war effort after the Emancipation Proclamation? \_\_\_\_\_

## Critical Thinking Questions:

After viewing *America: The Story of Us - The Civil War*, answer each of the following questions on the backside of this worksheet using 2-3 sentences apiece.

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