

**DAY 9 – Grade 8 Social Studies STAAR Review**

**Civil War** – Readiness TEKS 8.8B, 8.17B, and 8.18A

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1. Fort Sumter, as illustrated below, was significant in the Civil War because:

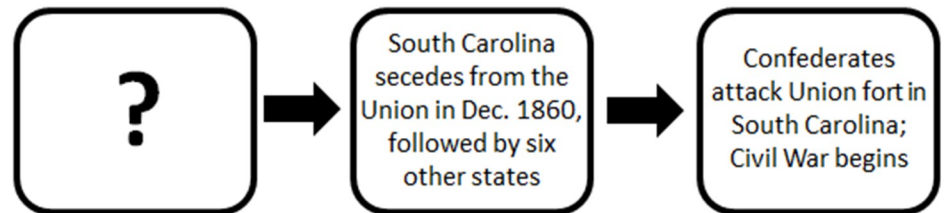


- A. It marked the beginning of the war as Confederates attacked the Union held fort.
- B. The Confederate Army was dealt a strong defeat which turned the tide of the war to the Union's favor.
- C. The Confederate-held fort was attacked and sieged by the Union army.
- D. The marked the last major battle in the Civil War.

2. Which Civil War event listed below was the first major Union defeat of General Robert E. Lee?

- F. Battle of Gettysburg (Pennsylvania, 1863)
- G. Battle of Bull Run (Virginia, 1861)
- H. Sherman's "March to the Sea" (1864)
- J. Battle of Antietam (Virginia, 1862)

3. What would best describe the missing event in the sequence below?



- A. Abraham Lincoln delivers the Gettysburg Address.
- B. Abraham Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation.
- C. Abraham Lincoln is assassinated by John Wilkes Booth.
- D. Abraham Lincoln is elected President of the United States.

4. Which of the following was not a contributing factor to the Civil War?

- F. State's rights to secede
- G. Continuation of slavery in the South
- H. Economic differences between North and South states
- J. Division within the Republican Party in the 1860 election

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5. The focus of President Lincoln’s efforts shifted from winning the war to bringing Confederate states back into the Union after what event?

- A. Siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi
- B. Issuing the Emancipation Proclamation
- C. Union victory at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
- D. Lee’s surrender at Appomattox Court House

6. President Lincoln made this opening statement in his address following the Battle of Gettysburg:

“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.”

What reference and point was Lincoln making in his speech?

- F. The US Constitution does not give the southern states the right to secede.
- G. The Declaration of Independence does not condone slavery.
- H. The Bill of Rights supports the cause of the Confederates.
- J. The Supreme Court was wrong in the *Dred Scott Decision*.

7. Use the map below of Civil War battle sites to answer the question.



Which of the following is a true statement?

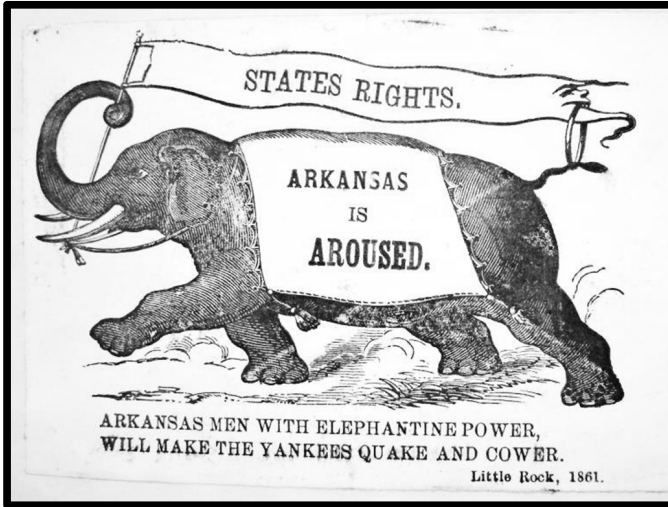
- A. There was nearly an equal number of battles fought east and west of the Mississippi River.
- B. The largest concentration of battle sites was around the Washington, D.C. area.
- C. Texas was strategically important for the Confederate Army.
- D. Controlling the Mississippi River was not a strategy of the Union commanders.

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8. The following political cartoon, printed in 1861, is advocating for what action?



- F. Arkansas should vote with the Republican Party.
- G. Arkansas should remain in the Union.
- H. Arkansas should secede from the Union.
- J. Arkansas should join the Confederacy as a free state.

9. What were the most important advantages of the North had over the South in the Civil War?

- A. Alliances with France and Great Britain
- B. Support of southern Democrats
- C. Superior military leaders
- D. Human resources and financial strength

10. As depicted in the illustration below, what major battle of the Civil War was important in controlling the Mississippi River?



- F. Battle of Vicksburg
- G. Battle of Antietam
- H. Battle of Gettysburg
- J. Battle of Bull Run

11. The *Dred Scott Decision* (1857) of the US Supreme Court set the stage for what two major causes of the Civil War?

- A. Slavery and states' rights
- B. Taxation and free trade
- C. Temperance and slavery
- D. Sectionalism and tariffs

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<p>A. Abraham Lincoln</p> <p>B. Appomattox Court House</p> <p>C. Battle of Antietam</p> <p>D. Battle of Gettysburg</p> <p>E. Battle of Vicksburg</p> <p>F. Democratic Party</p> <p>G. Election of 1860</p> <p>H. Election of 1864</p> <p>I. Emancipation Proclamation</p> <p>J. Fort Sumter</p> <p>K. Jefferson Davis</p> <p>L. John Wilkes Booth</p> <p>M. Lincoln’s 1<sup>st</sup> Inaugural Address</p> <p>N. Lincoln’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Inaugural Address</p> <p>O. Republican Party</p> <p>P. Robert E. Lee</p> <p>Q. Ulysses S. Grant</p>	<p>1. _____ After his 1864 re-election, he focused on the need to end slavery and rebuilding the Union after the war</p> <p>2. _____ Lincoln’s victory quickly lead to the secession of South Carolina and the beginning of the Civil War</p> <p>3. _____ Location of Lee surrendering to Grant, ending the Civil War</p> <p>4. _____ Republican presidential candidate in the Election of 1860</p> <p>5. _____ President of the Confederate States of America</p> <p>6. _____ Commanding General of the Union forces</p> <p>7. _____ Assassinated Lincoln shortly after the Election of 1864</p> <p>8. _____ Political organization that was deeply torn in the Election of 1860 over the issue of slavery</p> <p>9. _____ Three-day battle with 8,000 soldiers dead that marked a turning point victory for the Union army</p>	<p>10. _____ Battle that occurred on the Mississippi River</p> <p>11. _____ Presidential order that declared all slave free</p> <p>12. _____ Lincoln narrowly defeats McClellan</p> <p>13. _____ Location of the beginning of the Civil War</p> <p>14. _____ Commanding General of Confederate forces</p> <p>15. _____ Political organization that nominated Lincoln in the Election of 1860</p> <p>16. _____ Speech in which Lincoln declared the Constitution was a contract between all states and an individual state could not secede on its own decision</p> <p>17. _____ First battle in Union territory resulting in the single deadliest day of the war</p>
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