

The American Civil War



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Vs.
South

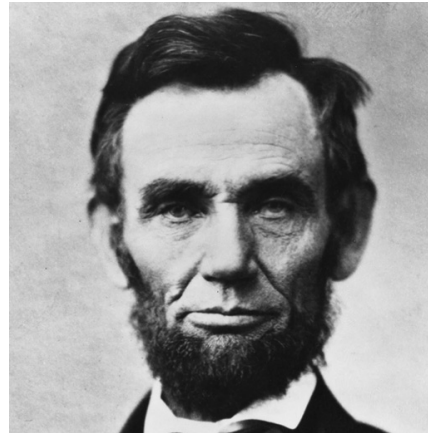
Civil War: Total War

- The Civil War:
- The United States tore itself apart
 - 620,000 Dead and Wounded



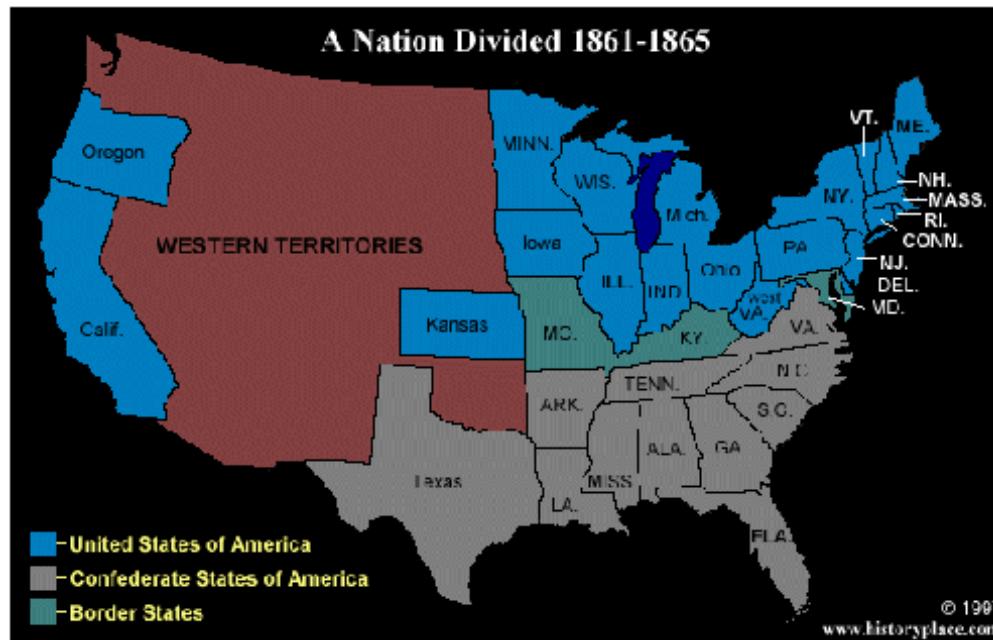
Civil War: “A House Divided”

- “A House divided against itself cannot stand.
- I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free.
- It will become all one thing or all the other.”
 - Abraham Lincoln, 1858



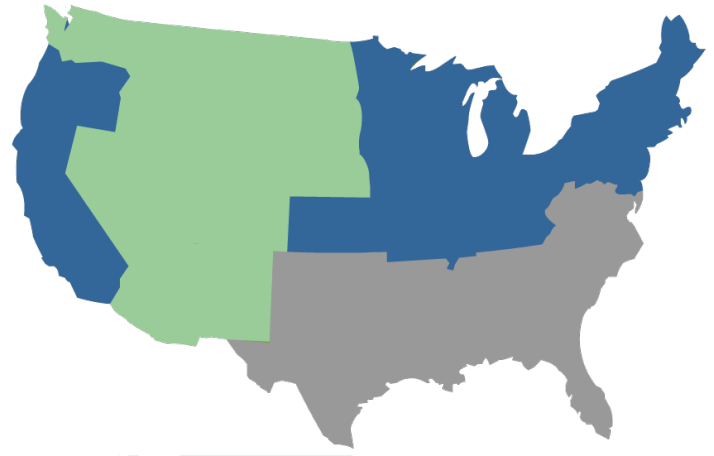
Civil War: Who Fought?

- The Northern States: The Union
- The Southern States : The Confederacy



Why did America Fight?

- The arguments over slavery.
- The expansion of slavery into the western territories.
- Failed compromises



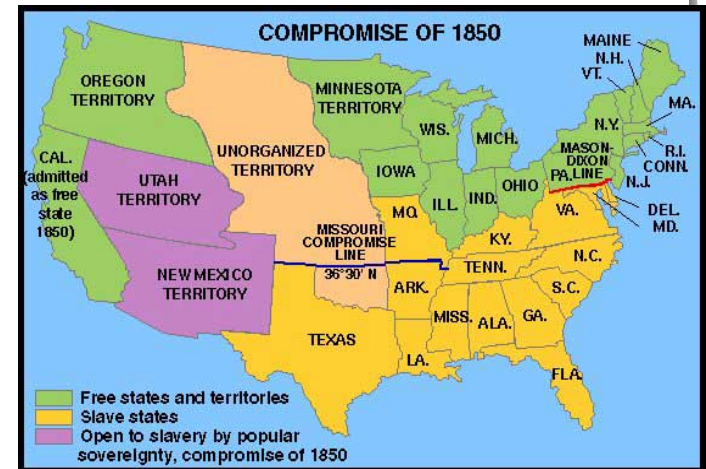
1820: The Missouri Compromise

- Missouri entered the United States as a slave state
- Maine entered the Union as a free state
- No slavery north of the 36° north latitude line
- 12 free States,
- 12 slave States



The Compromise of 1850

- California would enter the Union as a free state.
- The rest of the Mexican Cession would vote on whether to enter the Union as a free or slave state.
- The Fugitive Slave Act made it a crime to assist runaway slaves anywhere in the Union.



Hi-lite:

What was the Fugitive Slave Act?

1854: The Kansas-Nebraska Act

- The territory of the Louisiana Purchase was divided into 2: Kansas and Nebraska
- Kansas and Nebraska would vote on joining the Union as a Free or Slave State:
Popular Sovereignty
- Violated the Missouri Compromise (slavery allowed north of 36 degrees).



Hi-lite

Why did the Kansas-Nebraska Act violate the Missouri Compromise?

1856: Bleeding Kansas

- Violence broke out in Kansas.
- In 1856, pro-slavery groups burned the town of Lawrence, Kansas.
- Abolitionist John Brown killed 5 pro-slavery men. (Pottawatomie Massacre)
- Over 200 people died in the violence.



Hi-ite:
Why did violence break
out in Kansas?



1856: Violence in the Senate

- Representative Preston Brooks of South Carolina beat with a cane Massachusetts Senator Charles Sumner in the Senate.
- Sumner had made an anti-slavery speech.
- Sumner never recovered from the beating.
- Brooks received only a \$300.00 fine.



Hi-lite:

Why did Preston Brooks beat Charles Sumner?

1857: The Dred Scott Decision

- Dred Scott sued his owner for his freedom after his owner took him into free territory.
- The Supreme Court ruled that Dred Scott was not a citizen of the United States and could not sue.
- The ruling said that Congress had no right to prohibit slavery in any territory.
- This ruling stunned Northerners.



Hi-lite:
The Supreme Court's
rulings

1859: John Brown's Raid

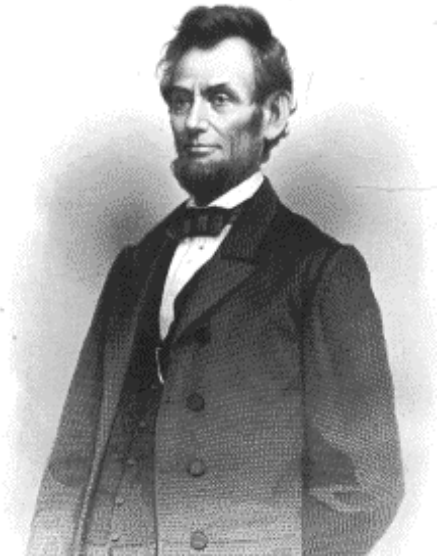
- Abolitionist John Brown tried to get slaves to rise up against their owners.
- He and his followers broke into a government arsenal (weapons storage)
- Brown was arrested and hanged for treason.
- Southerners were horrified by the attack



Hi-lite:
The southern reaction to
John Brown's raid

The Election of 1860

- The presidential race of 1860 showed how divided the nation was.
- Abraham Lincoln won the election, with no southern support
- Lincoln wanted to stop expansion of slavery into the western territories.
- South Carolina seceded from the Union after Lincoln's victory.



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What was Lincoln's
Main goal as president?

1861: The Attack on Fort Sumter

- The Civil War started in South Carolina.
- Confederate troops attacked Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor.
- Lincoln declared the South in a state of rebellion.
- The North and the South were now at war.



Hi-lite:
Where did the Civil
War start?

Oversimplified: Civil War Review

- What were the routes north set up by abolitionists called that helped runaway slaves escape?
- In the Compromise of 1850, what law allowed for the return of runaway slaves?
- After the Kansas-Nebraska, what was the violence in Kansas called?
- What was one result of the Dred Scot decision regarding citizenship for African-Americans?

Oversimplified: Civil War Review

- Who attempted to create a slave uprising by stealing weapons from a Harper's Ferry, Virginia armory?
- After the election of Abraham Lincoln in 1860, what did 11 southern states decide to do?
- Where were the first shots of the Civil War fired?
- What are the dates of the American Civil War?