

Civil War Timeline Project

- Using a 22 x 28 poster board cut the poster in half, lengthwise. Tape or glue ends together to make a long poster. Your timeline will be arranged on this poster (11 x 56)
- You will create a timeline using the events below. Each event must have the following information:
 - ☐ Event
 - ☐ Date
 - ☐ Photograph or primary source document
 - ☐ Brief summary of event or person
 - ☐ One or two sentences explaining photograph or primary source document
- Project Title should be neatly placed on poster. (Civil War Timeline)
- Events should be placed on a neatly drawn timeline, spaced well.
- Writing should be typed or written neatly in fine-tipped marker.

DATE	EVENT
November 6, 1860	Abraham Lincoln is elected sixteenth president of the United States
December 20, 1860	South Carolina Succeeds the Union
February 22, 1861	Jefferson Davis inaugurated as President of Confederate States of America
April 12, 1861	Southern forces fire upon Fort Sumter, South Carolina. The Civil War has formally begun.
July 21, 1861	The First Battle of Bull Run (or First Manassas),
March 8-9, 1862	Confederate Ironclad 'Merrimack' meets the Union "Monitor"
September 17, 1862	The Battle of Antietam (or Sharpsburg), Maryland, the bloodiest single day of the Civil War
January 1, 1863	The Emancipation Proclamation goes into effect
May – June, 1863	The Battle of Vicksburg / Siege of Vicksburg
July 1-3, 1863	The Battle of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The bloodiest battle of the Civil War dashes Robert E. Lee's hopes for a successful invasion of the North.
August – September 1864	Fall of Atlanta – General Sherman has Atlanta under siege and takes control of Southern
November 16, 1864	General Sherman's Army begins the "March to the Sea"
April 9, 1865	Battle of Appomattox Court House and Surrender, Appomattox Court House, Virginia
April 14, 1865	President Abraham Lincoln is assassinated
June 2, 1865	The Civil War officially ends.

Event Summary

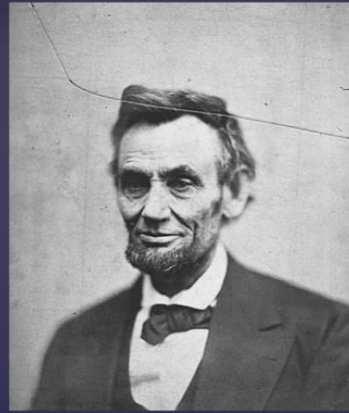
SAMPLE 1

SAMPLE 2



The bloodiest day in U.S. military history. Confederate Armies are stopped at Antietam in Maryland. 26,000 men are dead, wounded or missing.

Confederate dead by the fence bordering Farmer Miller's 40 acre farm. Gun fire cut every corn stalk to the ground "as closely as could have been done with a knife."



Lincoln and his wife Mary see the play "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theater. At 10:13 p.m., during the third act of the play, John Wilkes Booth shoots the president in the head.

Final portrait of a war weary president - April 10, 1865

The Battle of Antietam
September 17, 1862

President Abraham Lincoln
is assassinated
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Event & Date

Photograph

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Description

Helpful Web Resources

National Parks Service - Gettysburg

<http://www.nps.gov/gett/historyculture/civil-war-timeline.htm>

The History Place

<http://www.historyplace.com/civilwar/>

Civil War Time Photographs

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/cwphtml/tl1861.html>

Library of Congress - Civil War Glass Negatives and Related Prints

<http://www.loc.gov/pictures/collection/cwp/>

This day in the Civil War

<http://www.civilwar.org/150th-anniversary/this-day-in-the-civil-war.html>

PBS - Photo Gallery & Timeline of Battles

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/photo-gallery/death/>

The National Archives

<http://www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war/photos/index.html>

Each event is worth 5 points

Project Total = 80 Points

