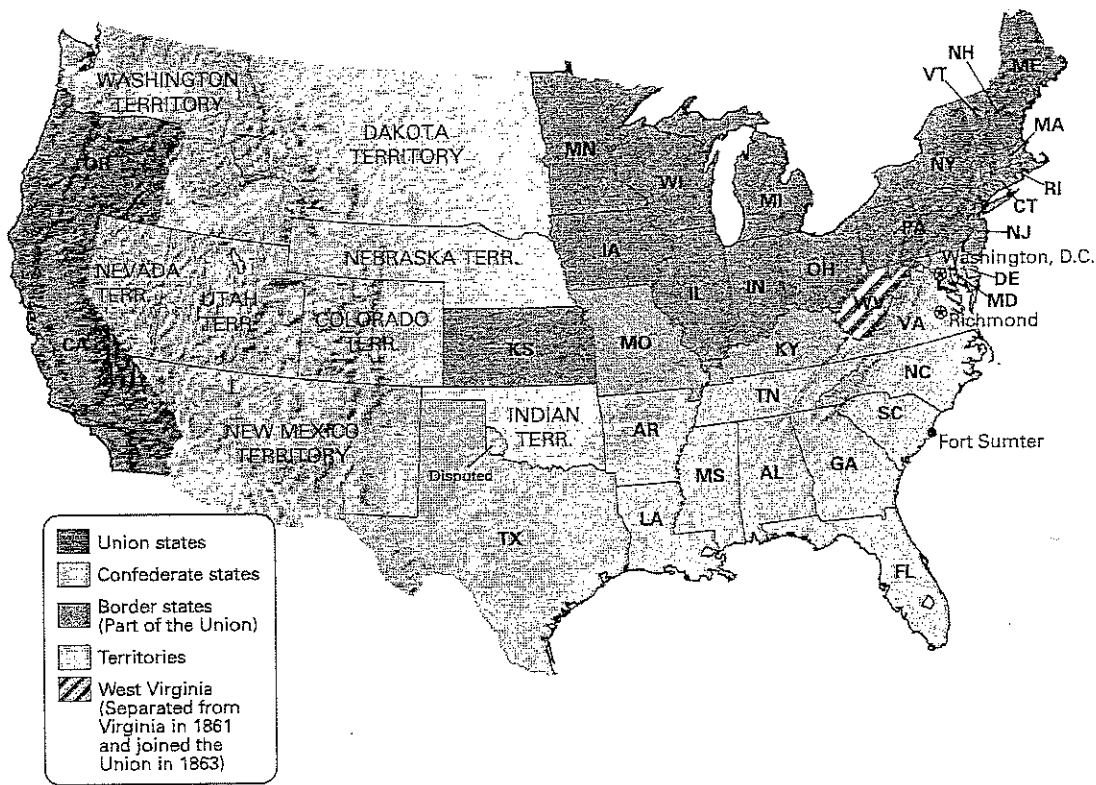


# Choosing Sides

At the start of the Civil War, each state had to decide whether it would stay in the Union. Most of the states that supported slavery seceded from the Union and joined the Confederacy. However, some of the slave states that bordered the North chose not to secede.



## MAP ACTIVITY

1. Use a bright color to shade the state on the map that is bordered by a Union state, a border state, and a Confederate state.
2. Write the letter *C* next to the capital city of the Confederate states. Then write the letter *U* next to the capital city of the Union states.
3. Outline the borders of the Union state that is surrounded by territories on all sides except the east side.
4. Use a light color to shade the border states that were part of the Union.

**ANALYZING MAPS**

**1. Region** Which two Union states on the map are located farthest west?

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**2. Location** What was the capital of the Confederate states? In which state was it located?

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**3. Interpreting** In what year did West Virginia become a state?

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**4. Place** List the border states. Why do you think these states did not join the Confederacy even though they practiced slavery?

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**5. Drawing Conclusions** Why do you think West Virginia separated from the state of Virginia?

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**EXTENSION ACTIVITY**

Draw a political cartoon that shows the division that occurred during the Civil War. Use pictures and text to describe the feelings of those who supported and opposed the Union.

Story of US Civil War Video Questions

1. What new kind of bullet introduced during the Civil War that is largely responsible for the war's carnage?

- a. Gatling
- b. Minie
- c. Hunley
- d. Lowell

5th New York  
 Losses more than  
 any unit.

2. This new bullet is much more accurate due to its spiral; however, for all this new technological edge, the armies still fought

the old way / w/outdated

3. By the time of the North's final victory, 600,000 men have been killed, over 2% of the total population or the equivalent of 6 million million today.

4. Because half of the dead went unidentified, what crude early invention starts as a result?

- a. Dog Tag
- b. Minie Ball
- c. Submarine
- d. Licenses

5. Robert E. Lee, leader of the Confederate Army, was a graduate from what prestigious academy?

- a. Harvard
- b. West Point
- c. Virginia Military Institute
- d. Yale

6. Despite the South's military skill, Union President is fighting a modern type of war, utilizing the Railroad to quickly move and coordinate troops and the

telegraph to communicate rapidly over huge distances.

7. In the course of the war, Lincoln sends 1,000 telegrams.

8. Three quarters of all operation conducted by army surgeons during the war were

amputations

9. Soldiers were 2 times more likely to die from \_\_\_\_\_ than in battle

- a. Diseases
- b. Surgery
- c. Infection
- d. None of the Above

10. Clara Barton is a female nurse who goes on to revolutionize battlefield medicine and eventually will found the Red Cross

11. Which of the following BEST describes the impact of the camera on the Civil War?

- a. It provided color images of live battle scenes
- b. It provided a first-hand account of the bloody aftermath of battles
- c. It actually increased support for the war
- d. All of the Above are TRUE regarding the camera