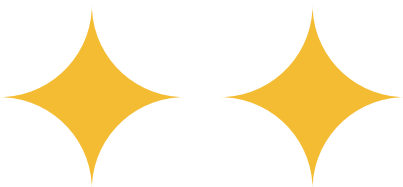




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Introduction

As we know now....

Fighting broke out in 1861 and lasted until 1865. By the end of 1861 two major battlefronts had developed.

One was in the East, where Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania suffered most of the fighting.

The other front was in the West. That front started along the Mississippi River and then spread.

Major Events

The first major battle of the war was fought on July 21, 1861. About 30,000 Union troops marched toward the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia.

The war's most notable battle at sea was fought in Virginia in March 1862, without clear victory.

In May 1863, Lee defeated Union forces near Chancellorsville. The Battle of Gettysburg turned the war in favor of the Union. In November 1863, Grant and General William Sherman drove the Confederates out of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

In March 1864 Lincoln rewarded Grant by giving him command of all the Union armies.

On April 3, 1865, Grant captured Richmond, the Confederate capital. He accepted Lee's surrender in Appomattox, Virginia, on April 9. By the end of May all Confederate armies had surrendered.

Reconstruction

After the war the defeated states were gradually allowed back into the United States.

The South rebuilt damaged property and changed its economy, so it no longer depended on slaves.

**This period was known as
RECONSTRUCTION.**

It lasted until the last U.S. troops left the South in April 1877.

Interesting Facts

Nearly 1/3rd of Union Army comprised of immigrants. The most numerous were Germans who were 10% of the total strength.

Union confiscated Robert E Lee's estate during the war and turned it into a cemetery. It is known today as Arlington National Cemetery.

Both Union and Confederate armies did not allow women to be recruited. However, 250 to 400 women fought the war 'disguised' as men.

By the time General Lee surrendered, Confederate currency had tremendously depreciated. It took 1200 Confederate dollars to buy 1 US dollar.



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