

Lesson Plan: Civil War Photo Album

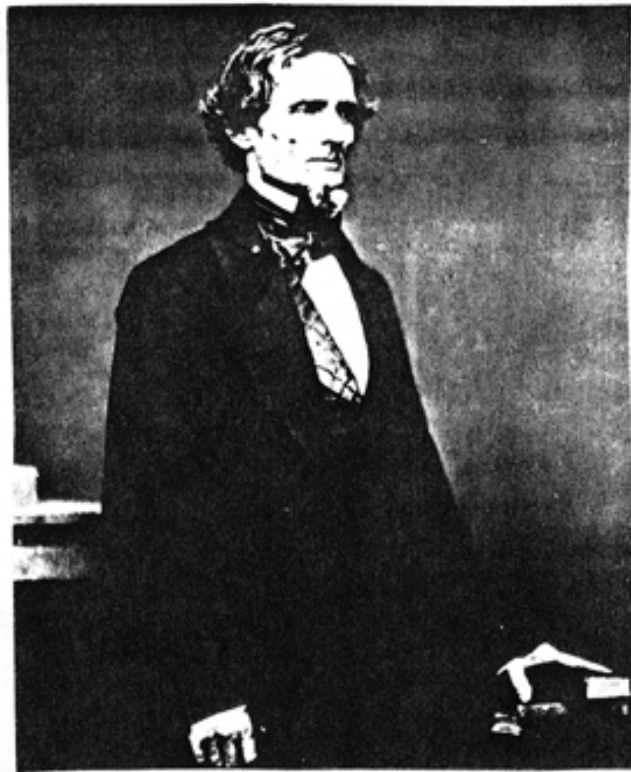
Teacher Preparation

1. Prior to assigning this project, students should have been taught a unit about the Civil War. Upon completion of that unit, have students create a photo album of the Civil War illustrating important people, battles and events of the war. Explain to students that the camera was invented just before the war had begun and the Civil War was the first time photojournalism was used to sway public opinion and bring information about the war directly to the public.
2. Tell students they will be gathering pictures that are historically accurate and arrange them in a scrap book in a clear, organized format. On each page accompanying the pictures should be a paragraph explaining the significance of the picture.
3. Requirements:
 - (A) Pictures should include: six important people (three people from the Union and three people from the Confederacy), four major battles, three recognizable events (Signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, Gettysburg Address, etc.), and three multicultural contributions (African Americans, Native Americans, Women, etc.).
 - (B) The content is historically accurate and timeframe relevant, i.e. pictures should not be in color.
 - (C) The album follows a clear organizational framework and depicts the Civil War era.
 - (D) The photographs and other memorabilia are creatively arrange so that they tell a story.
4. Samples from student albums appear on the following pages.



Jefferson Davis

Confederate President



Jefferson Davis served as the secretary of war under Franklin Pierce. He was the Senator of Mississippi when the Civil War started. Although he wanted to be a military commander Davis was elected to the six year term as President of the Confederate States in 1861. Some saw Davis as a man with limited views, narrow mindness, and an unwillingness to compromise. He did manage to uphold the Confederacy until the final defeat. After the war Davis was imprisoned at Fort Monroe, VA for two years. During this time the government was debating on whether to try him for treason. He was released on bail and moved to a donated estate after a stay in Canada. He died in 1889.

LECTURE !

MISS CLARA BARTON,
OF WASHINGTON,

THE HEROINE OF ANDERSONVILLE,

The Soldier's Friend, who gave her time and fortune during the war to the Union cause, and who is now engaged in searching for the missing soldiers of the Union army, will address the people of

**LAMBERTVILLE, in
HOLCOMBE HALL,
THIS EVENING,**

APRIL 7TH, AT 7 O'CLOCK.

SUBJECT:

SCENES ON THE BATTLE-FIELD.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

Clara Barton, was a genius at organization and the Civil War provided her with endless opportunities to use to use her skills. She had no official connection to the military, but she became so involved in collecting and delivering supplies to northern troops around Washington DC, that after the war she did not abandon relief work. She became involved in the Red Cross and devoted the rest of her life to the branch she founded in 1881.



1861

THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

ANNUAL PREMIUM,
\$ 15.07
PAID MONTHLY.
Semi-annually.
SUM INSURED,
\$ 550

THIS POLICY OF INSURANCE WITNESSETH THAT
THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

In Consideration of the sum of Fifteen Dollars and Seven Cents, to them in hand paid by John G. Yelloman

and of the annual premium of Fifteen Dollars and Seven Cents, to be paid in advance on or before the third day of September, in

every year during the continuance of this Policy. Do Assure the Life of Charles a slave, the property of John G. Yelloman a Slaveholder in the County of Fayette State of Kentucky in the amount of Five Hundred and Fifty Dollars, for the term of One Year, to commence on the third day of September 1861, at noon, and expire on the third day of September 1862 at noon.

And the said Company do hereby Promise and Agree, to and with the said insured, his executors, administrators, and assigns, well and truly to pay, or cause to be paid, the said sum insured, to the said insured, his executors, administrators, or assigns, within three months after the date and period of the death of the said slave Charles

Provided always, and it is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of this Policy, and the same accepted by the insured upon these express conditions, that in case the said slave Charles

shall die upon the sea, or shall, without the consent of the Company previously obtained and received upon this Policy, pass beyond the limits of Kentucky so far as the insured shall already have any other insurance on the slave hereby insured and so entitled to the Company and insured as evidenced on this Policy, or shall hereafter effect any other insurance upon the said slave without the Consent of the Company first obtained and received on this Policy, or in case the said slave shall die by means of any insurrection, insurrection, riot, civil commotion, or of any military or naval force, or in case the slave shall die by any means, or in consequence of a riot, or by the hands of justice, or in the execution of any law of any State or of the United States, or in consequence of any such business employment, this Policy shall be void, null, and of no effect.

And it is also Understood and Agreed, to be the true intent and meaning hereof, that if the defalcation made by the said John G. Yelloman, and bearing date the 1st day of September 1861, and upon the back of which this agreement is made, shall be found in any report returned there, and in such case this Policy shall be null and void; or in case the said John G. Yelloman shall employ the said person as above recited, or in violation of the several days herein mentioned for the purpose herein then he shall not be liable to the payment of the sum insured, or any part thereof; and this Policy shall cease and determine.

And it is further agreed that in every case where this Policy shall issue, or become or be null or void, all previous payments made thereon shall be retained by the said Company.

And it is hereby expressly Agreed, between the said insured and the said Company, that the said insured, his executors, administrators, or assigns, has waived, and hereby waives and releases to the said Company, all right and title to any mortality or participation in the profits of the said Company.

And it is further Understood and Agreed, that the interest of the insured in this Policy is not assignable without the consent of the said Company, manifested in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New-York, have by their President and Secretary, signed and delivered this Contract, this 1st day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, to

John G. Yelloman Secretary J. P. Freeman President.

Colored
VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.

STATE OF Tennessee TOWN OF Nashville

I, Edmund West born in Davidson County in the State of Tennessee aged twenty-eight years, and by occupation a Farmer do HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have volunteered this twenty-fifth day of September 1861 to serve as a Soldier in the Army of the United States of America, for the period of THREE YEARS, unless sooner discharged by proper authority: Do also agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law for volunteers. And I, Edmund West do solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at this day of 1861 } Edmund West

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, according to the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmity, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

Charles M. Brown

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, preliminary to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service. This soldier has Hester Black his yellowman in private before high.

Recruited upon J. P. Colored man



William Carney, was a twenty-two year old survivor of the Fifth-fourth regiment at Fort Wagner, Massachusetts. Despite him being wounded in his head, chest, right arm, and leg he managed to crawl back to camp after catching the company colors from falling. The poem, "The old Flag Never Touched The Ground," was inspired by the heroism of him and the other survivors.



Frederick Douglass, without any formal education, became an articulate spokesman for the abolitionist movement. He edited a newspaper, "The North Star," and published editorials in other journals. When his autobiography was published in 1845, it made him a fugitive again, so he left the country and lived in England and later bought his freedom. So he was able to return to America and continue his work. During the Civil War, Douglass helped recruit blacks to serve in the Union Army.

