

Civil War Map of the U.S. Lesson Plan

Objective: Students will see and be able to explain how the nation was divided during the Civil War.

Time: 20-30 minutes

Grade Level(s): 4 & up

Overview: The students will color the map then, there will be a class discussion about the division in the nation during the Civil War. The vocabulary words (border, Union, Confederate, & unorganized territory) will also be explained.

Related SOL:

History: United States History to 1865

USI.9 The student will demonstrate knowledge of the causes, major events, and effects of the Civil War by

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Materials:

- Civil War Map of the U.S. worksheet
- Crayons

STANDARD USI.9c

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Essential Understandings	Essential Questions	Essential Knowledge	Essential Skills
<p>Southern states that were dependent upon labor-intensive cash crops seceded from the Union. Northernmost slave states (border states) and free states stayed in the Union.</p>	<p>Which states seceded from the Union?</p> <p>Which four slave states stayed in the Union?</p> <p>Where were the other states that remained in the Union located?</p>	<p>States that seceded from the Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alabama • Arkansas • Florida • Georgia • Louisiana • Mississippi • North Carolina • South Carolina • Tennessee • Texas • Virginia <p>States that remained in the Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border states (slave states) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Delaware – Kentucky – Maryland – Missouri • Free states <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – California – Connecticut – Illinois – Indiana – Iowa – Kansas – Maine – Massachusetts – Michigan – Minnesota – New Hampshire – New Jersey – New York – Ohio – Oregon – Pennsylvania – Rhode Island – Vermont – West Virginia* – Wisconsin <p>*Note: Western counties of Virginia that refused to secede from the Union</p>	<p>Analyze and interpret maps to explain historical events. (USI.1f)</p>

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Civil War Map of the United States

Directions: Color the union states blue (*hint: there are 20*), color the confederate states gray (*hint: there are 11*), and color the “border” states red (*hint: there are 4*). Leave the unorganized territory uncolored.

Why color with gray and blue?

Confederate soldiers wore gray uniforms and union soldiers wore blue.



Confederate States = slave states

Union States = Free states

Border States = Slave states that stayed in the Union

Unorganized Territory = Not yet part of the United States

Answer Key

Confederate States (gray)

-Alabama -South Carolina -Georgia
-North Carolina -Florida -Texas
-Arkansas -Tennessee -Louisiana
-Virginia -Mississippi

Union States (blue)

- California - Illinois - Iowa
- New Hampshire - New York - Oregon
- Connecticut - Indiana - Kansas
- New Jersey - Ohio - Pennsylvania
- Michigan - West Virginia - Maine
- Rhode Island - Massachusetts - Vermont

Border States (red)

- Delaware - Kentucky
- Maryland - Missouri