

## AMERICAN CIVIL WAR – Part 2

### SUMMARY AND QUESTIONS

The American Civil War was fought over 100 years ago.  
The Civil War began in 1861.  
The war lasted until 1865.  
War battles resulted in the death of about 620,000 Americans.  
What caused the Civil War between the North and the South?  
There were many causes of the war.  
One cause was the issue of slavery.  
The southern way of life was based on slave labor.  
The economy of the South depended on slaves for 250 years.  
Slaves planted and picked cotton and tobacco.  
Southerners owned, bought, and sold slaves.  
Southerners did not think this was wrong.  
Slavery was the foundation of the southern economy.  
The northern economy did not depend on slave labor.  
In the South, there were many large cotton plantations.  
These plantations used hundreds of black slaves.  
In the North, there were smaller farms.  
The northern farmers planted many different crops.  
Northerners did not need slaves on their small farms.  
Many Northerners were opposed to slavery.  
Many Northerners wanted to end slavery completely.  
The northern attitude against slavery made Southerners angry.  
There was constant friction between the North and the South.  
The friction was over the issue of slavery.  
The friction eventually led to war.  
There were other frictions between the North and the South.  
One friction involved the growth of industry in the North.  
The South remained an agricultural area.  
The North became more and more industrialized.  
Industry brought people and wealth to the North.  
Southerners began to fear northern political and economic domination. Many Southerners wanted to leave the Union.  
The Southerners wanted to form a separate country.  
In 1860, Abraham Lincoln became president.  
Lincoln was against slavery.  
The southern states decided to secede from the Union.  
In 1861, South Carolina seceded.  
By June of 1861 eleven southern states had seceded.  
The eleven southern states established a new country.  
The new country was called the Confederate States of America.  
The Civil War began when the southern states seceded from the Union.  
The North went to war to bring the southern states into the Union.  
The North won the war because of its economic and industrial power.  
The Civil War had two important results.  
The Civil War preserved the United States as one country.

