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TEACHERS

# Introduction to Phonological Awareness and the American Civil War

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**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Due Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Introduction and Objectives

Welcome to this comprehensive activity sheet on Introduction to Phonological Awareness and the American Civil War. This activity is designed to enhance your phonological awareness skills while exploring the historical context of the Civil War.

### Learning Objectives:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the main causes of the Civil War
- Accurately segment and blend vocabulary words related to the Civil War
- Create a clear and organized outline of the causes of the Civil War

## Vocabulary Building

Below is a list of 10 vocabulary words related to the Civil War. Please write the definitions and segment the words into individual sounds.

1. Secession
2. Abolition
3. Emancipation
4. Confederacy
5. Union
6. Slavery
7. States' rights
8. Abraham Lincoln
9. Jefferson Davis
10. Emancipation Proclamation

## Phonological Awareness Activity

Segment the following vocabulary words into their individual sounds:

1. Secession: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Abolition: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Emancipation: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Confederacy: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Union: \_\_\_\_\_

Example: Break down the word "emancipation" into its individual sounds: e-man-ci-pa-tion

## Outline and Organize

Create an outline of the main causes of the Civil War, incorporating the vocabulary words and their meanings.

## Reading Comprehension

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow:

The Civil War was a pivotal event in American history, fought between the Union (the Northern states) and the Confederacy (the Southern states) from 1861 to 1865. The war was sparked by the secession of 11 Southern states from the Union, which were determined to preserve and expand the institution of slavery. The Union, led by President Abraham Lincoln, sought to preserve the unity of the country and end the practice of slavery. The war resulted in the emancipation of four million enslaved African Americans and a more unified federal government.

1. What were the main causes of the Civil War?
2. What was the significance of the Emancipation Proclamation?
3. How did the war affect the institution of slavery in the United States?

## Creative Writing Activity

Imagine you are a soldier fighting in the Civil War. Write a letter to a friend or family member describing your experiences and thoughts on the war.

## Debate Activity

Research and debate the following topic: "The Civil War was primarily fought over the issue of states' rights, rather than slavery."

## Self-Assessment and Reflection

Reflect on your understanding of the material and identify areas for improvement. Evaluate your ability to segment and blend vocabulary words. Assess your time management skills and adjust your approach as needed.



## Extension Activities

Choose any combination of the following activities:

1. Design and explain a historical monument related to the Civil War
2. Create a timeline of the major events of the Civil War
3. Write a short story about a historical figure from the Civil War era

## Conclusion

Congratulations on completing this comprehensive activity sheet on Introduction to Phonological Awareness and the American Civil War. You have demonstrated your understanding of the main causes of the Civil War, accurately segmented and blended vocabulary words, and created a clear and organized outline of the causes of the Civil War.