**2021 Summer Academy US History**

**Day 7: June 15th 8:00-10:00 Class**

We will do all of these activities together over Zoom. If you are absent from class (or if you want to review what we did) then you can do these activities yourself.

#1) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. You should get all your grades by tomorrow: Homework #1 PPT; Homework #2 Rap Battles; Test #1; and all first week extra credit added.

#2) BIG QUESTIONS OF TODAY:

1. What are the main events of the USA Civil War 1861-1865? (Watch some of the movie *Glory*- and you can watch it all for extra credit)
2. Why do so many people (including Mr. C) think Abraham Lincoln was such a great President and person? (Watch some of the movie *Lincoln*- and you can watch it all for extra credit)
3. What are the main ideas of Reconstruction 1866-1880?

#3) Last class review:

1. In many ways the USA was headed for a civil wat between North and South right from the foundation of colonies and USA in the 1600s-1700s.
2. From 1830-1860 two things become clear:
3. Compromise between North and South is impossible
4. Many people in North & South want to go to war to either end or maintain slavery.

#4) THE USA CIVIL WAR (1861-1865)

1. My website: Link to Online textbook- CH 4 The Union in Peril

-4.2 The Civil War Begins

a. Look at the map on page 171 and answer:

1) Where is the United States of America? Where is its capitol?

2)Where is the Confederate States of America? Where is its capitol?

3) Can you guess what both sides’ strategy is from 1861-1862?

4) What are some “border states” and why called this?

5) Why is it a top priority for President Lincoln to “keep the border states?”

6) How will President Lincoln try to keep the border states in the USA?

7) What’s that “blue triangle line” in the Atlantic Ocean?

1. 1861-1862: BLOODY STALEMATE
2. Look at the chart on Page 169: What are the advantages of the North “Union” vs. the South “Confederacy”?
3. Read Pg 169 “Strengths and Strategies”
4. What kind of “Warfare” will the US Civil War be? (The “Blue” vs “Grey”)Which side will this favor and why?
5. Both sides use traditional warfare to capture the other side’s capital:
6. The South has some early “victories” they are very proud of even today: Read Page 169 “Bull Run”
7. If you ever travel through the South in the USA today- which 3 people have the most statues and monument of them today?
8. Meanwhile the North finally finds a gifted military general working “out West”. Read page 169-170 “Union Armies in the West”
9. Back to ‘capture the other side’s capital’: Read page 170-171 ‘The War for the Capitals’.
10. Why is the Civil War the most “bloody and deadly war’ in US History?
11. What is the single most bloody and deadly battle in the Civil War?

#5) The movie ‘Glory’

1. This is a true story about ‘The 54th Massachusetts’ who was the most famous all African-American regiment fighting for the Union in the Civil War.
2. Can you guess who most of these African-Americans are?
3. Can you guess which 2 people recruited them and convinced President Lincoln to use them?
4. Let’s watch the opening scene, which is ‘The Battle of Antietam’ (0:00-12:30)
5. Mr. C loves this movie because it is a true story and based on primary documents: specifically much of the movie is based on the letters written from Colonel Robert Shaw to his Mother. Robert Shaw was a young man who volunteered to join the North army; his parents were famous ABOLITIONISTS in Boston. Robert Shaw joins the civil war because he is passionate about ending slavery.
6. What do you learn about The Battle of Antietam’ in this scene?
7. What do you learn about ‘medical care’ during the Civil War?
8. Let’s watch some more scenes where we learn about the African-Americans who enlist in the 54th Massachusetts (Start at 16:40)
9. One thing we learn in this movie is that there is still lots of racism vs. African-Americans in the NORTH also! For instance African-American soldiers do not get the same supplies and get paid less. During the movie Robert Shaw learns to confront not only Southern slavery but Northern racism as well: (watch 53:00-63:00)

#6) Back to the Civil War

1. Read pages 171-173 ‘The Politics of War’ and discuss 3 important things:
2. GO BACK PAGE and now click on 4.3 The North Takes Charge
3. After a bloody stalemate from 1861-1862 both sides realize they need to boost the morale of their side. That is one reason President Lincoln issues what again on January 1, 1863?
4. The South also realizes it needs a morale boost and its #1 General Robert E. Lee takes a huge gamble which will be the most famous battle of the Civil War: Can you guess what is Lee’s big gamble? What is the most famous battle of the civil war?
5. Let’s read for the answer: Read 4.3 The North Takes Charge- pages 175-177 ‘The Tide Turns’ and explain 3 main ideas:
6. Read page 177 “The Gettysburg Address” and discuss why is this one of the most famous primary documents and speeches in US History?
7. Read page 179: Why is the 1863 Battle of Vicksburg another major turning point in the civil war?
8. Read pages 180-182: How does the Civil War officially end?
9. What is Sherman’s March?
10. When and where does the South officially surrender?

#7) Back to the movie ‘Glory’

1. Once the 54th Massachusetts is finally sent down South to fight, it becomes clear they will only be used as manual, slave labor. Therefore, Colonel Robert Shaw tells his parents to pressure Frederick Douglass & Harriet Tubman to pressure President Abraham Lincoln to make sure the 54th Massachusetts can actually fight in battles.
2. In 1863- President Lincoln orders that the 54th Massachusetts will fight in 2 famous battles in South Carolina which are also an important ‘turning point’ in the Civil War. Let’s watch:
3. Battle #1: July 16 Battle of James Island (1:17:30-…)
4. Now we come to the 54th Massachusetts most famous battle: Battle #2 July 18, 1863 Battle of Fort Wagner: What is the objective? Why is it basically a suicide mission? Why do you think Colonel Shaw & all the men in the 54th Massachusetts volunteer for this?
5. Let’s watch the rest of the movie………
6. After the movie: Why do you think President Lincoln (and many historians) call the 54th Massachusetts’ bravery and sacrifice at Forth Wagner another turning point of the war?

#8) For extra credit you can watch all of the movie Glory and follow the movie extra credit rules.

#9) For double extra credit you can watch all the movie *Lincoln* (2012 by Steven Spielberg) and follow the extra credit rules.

1. The movie Lincoln is the true story of how President Abraham Lincoln fights for and accomplishes what 2 goals before he dies?
2. Read 4.3 The North Takes Charge pages 182-183 ‘The War Changes Lives’
3. What day was the 13th Amendment passed?
4. What day did the Civil War end?
5. What happens on April 14, 1865?
6. Let’s read 2 things from Abraham Lincoln:
7. Open my website to Day 7 Tad & Willie Reading
8. Day 7 Lincoln’s 2nd Inaugural Address

#10) RECONSTRUCTION in 10 MINUTES

1. The US Civil War is 1861-1865
2. After the Civil War, the USA tries to ‘reconstruct’ itself back together again and to ‘reconstruct the South’ without slavery. This time period is called RECONSTRUCTION.
3. There are 3 phases to Reconstruction:
4. Phase 1 1865-1866; President Andrew Johnson does nothing
5. Phase 2: 1866-1867: ‘Radical Abolitionist Republicans’ in Congress do a LOT!
6. Phase 3: 1868-1880: The KKK and Domestic Terrorism rises to power in the South to stop all this!
7. Read about these 3 phases for 10 minutes and then discuss 5 important or interesting things you learned:
8. GO BACK and click on 4.4 Reconstruction and Its Effects. Read quickly for 10 minutes pages 184-189