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# Civil War Activity Book

# Answer Key



# What's For Dinner?

You were asked to think of reasons why it was hard to provide fresh food to soldiers during wartime. Answers will vary.

Some examples might include:

- No way to store food long term (no refrigerators)
- Blockades made getting food supplies difficult

## Blockade Running Math Break

1. During the Civil War the southern coastline was a total of 3500 miles and 1400 miles of that coastline belonged to Florida. Excluding Florida, how many miles made up the rest of the southern states' coastline?

Answer: 2,100 miles

$$\begin{array}{r} 3500 \\ - 1400 \\ \hline 2100 \end{array}$$

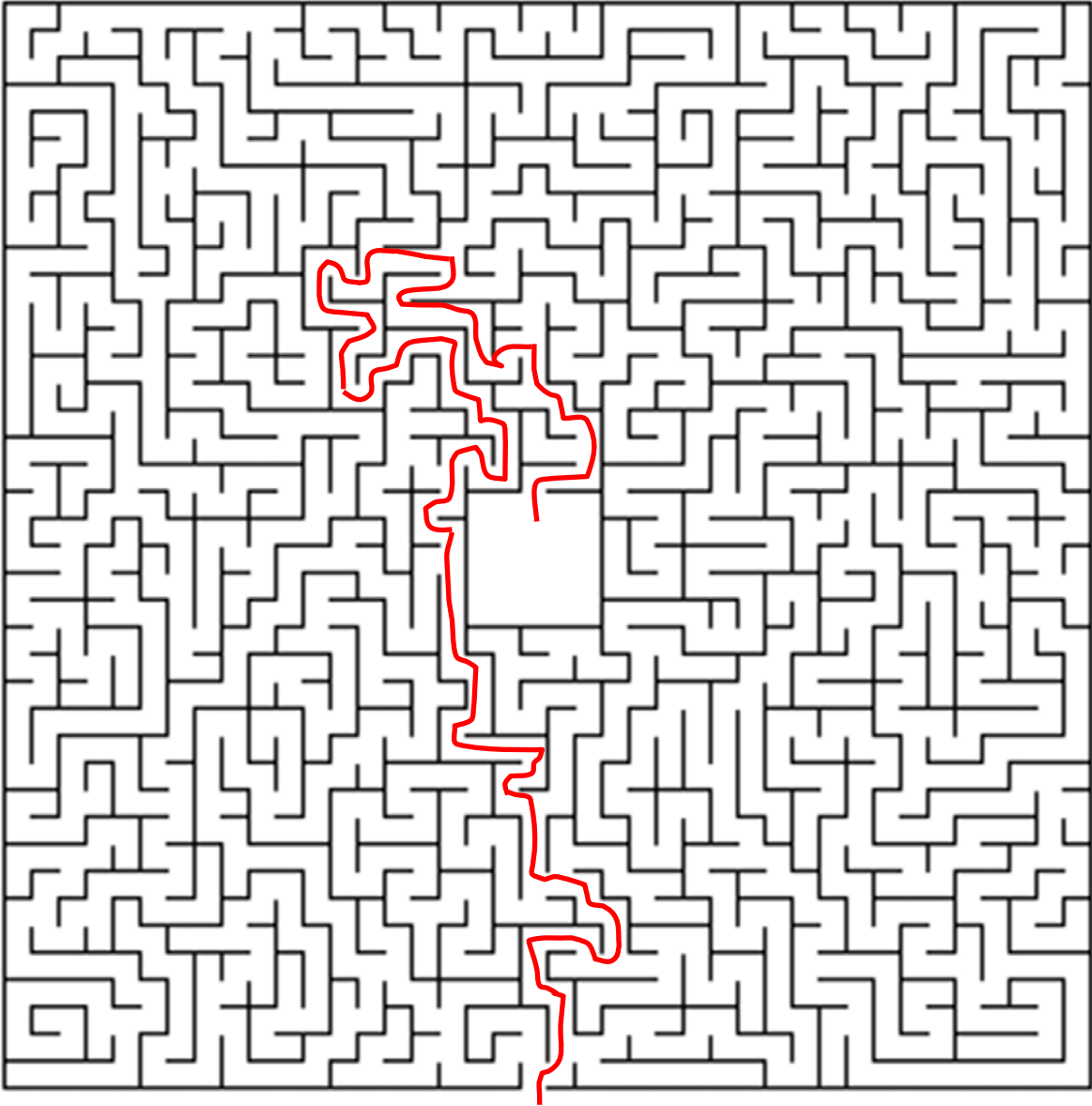
2. There are 5280 feet in 1 mile. During the Civil War the Union Navy blocked 1400 miles of Florida's coastline. How many **feet** of Florida's coastline did the Union Navy block?

Answer: 7,392,000 feet

$$1400 \times 5280 = 7,392,000$$



# Blockade Running Maze #2



End

# Madam Joe Atzeroth

You were asked to think like Madam Joe and list some ways you would make sure you had enough supplies to last through a difficult time. Answers will vary.

Some examples might include:

- Hiding supplies
- Stocking up on supplies
- Growing your own food

# John Riggin, Jr.

You were asked to examine the photograph of John Riggin, Jr.'s gravestone to look for clues about his military rank.

Answer: **Brigadier General**

John was promoted to Brevet Brigadier General after the war in recognition of his service.



# Identification Station!

1. A political cartoon from 1861.

Answer: Primary

2. A chapter from your History textbook that describes the Battle of Gettysburg.

Answer: Secondary

3. A newspaper article written in 1863 by a journalist who witnessed the Battle of Gettysburg.

Answer: Primary

4. The Emancipation Proclamation (a document written in 1863).

Answer: Primary

5. Aerial photography of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Answer: Secondary

6. A documentary about naval blockades during the Civil War.

Answer: Secondary

## Dig Deeper Using Primary Sources

You were asked to answer analysis questions about a historical photograph.

Since your answers are based on your observations there are no right or wrong answers for this activity.

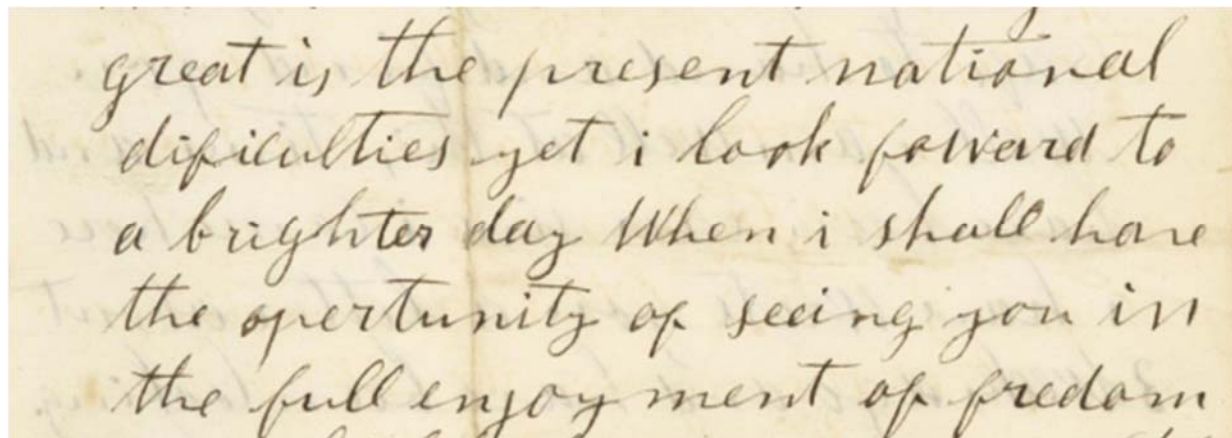
## Write Like a Victorian Historian

You were asked to review the cursive chart and practice writing in cursive.

There are no right or wrong answers for this activity.

## History Mystery! Can You Read This Letter?

1.

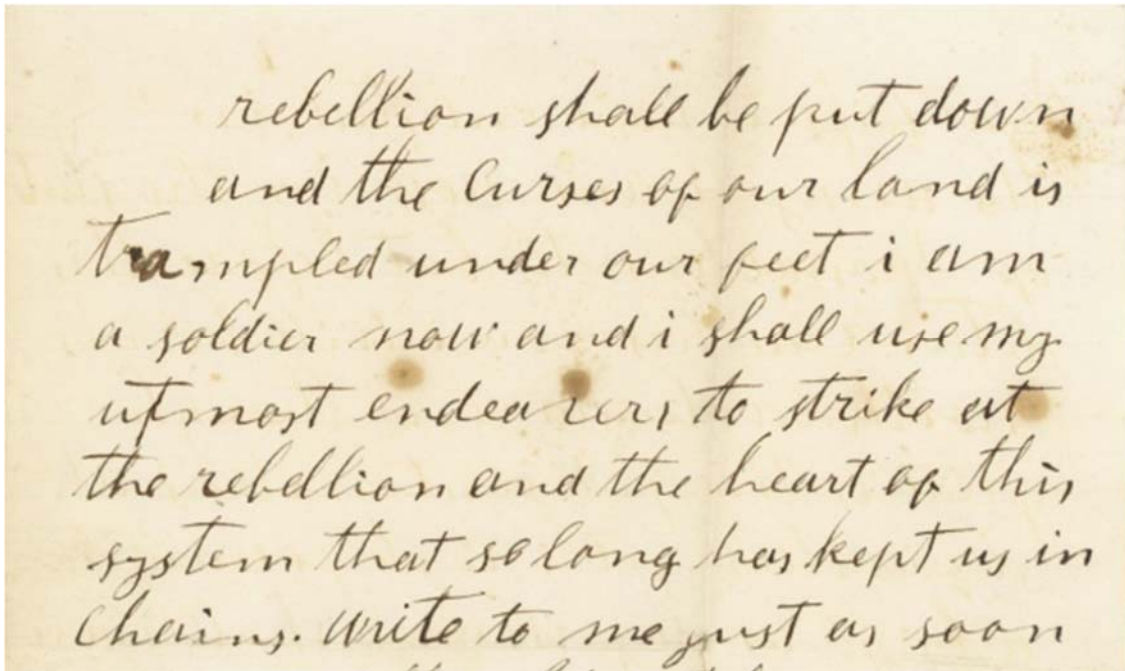


### Answer:

great is the present national difficulties yet i look forward to a brighter day When i shall have the opportunity of seeing you in the full enjoyment of freedom



2.

A photograph of a piece of aged, yellowed paper with handwritten text in cursive. The text is written in dark ink and is slightly faded and blurry. The paper has some brown spots and a textured appearance. The handwriting is somewhat slanted and expressive.

rebellion shall be put down  
and the curses of our land is  
trampled under our feet i am  
a soldier now and i shall use my  
utmost endeavors to strike at  
the rebellion and the heart of this  
system that so long has kept us in  
chains. write to me just as soon

**Answer:**

rebellion shall be put down and the curses of our land is trampled under our feet i am a soldier now and i shall use my utmost endeavor to strike at the rebellion and the heart of this system that so long has kept us in chains. unite to me just as soon