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although over one hundred fifty years have passed since the start of the american civil war that titanic conflict continues to matter the forces unleashed by that war were immensely destructive because of the significant issues involved the existence of the union the end of slavery and the very future of the nation the war remains our most contentious and our bloodiest with over six hundred thousand killed in the course of the four year struggle most civil wars do not spring up overnight and the american civil war was no exception the seeds of the conflict were sown in the earliest days of the republic s founding primarily over the existence of slavery and the slave trade although no conflict can begin without the conscious decisions of those engaged in the debates at that moment in the end there was simply no way to paper over the division of the country into two camps one that was dominated by slavery and the other that sought first to limit its spread and then to abolish it our nation was indeed half slave and half free and that could not stand regardless of the factors tearing the nation asunder the soldiers on each side of the struggle went to war for personal reasons looking for adventure being caught up in the passions and emotions of their peers believing in the union favoring states rights or even justifying the simple schoolyard dynamic of being convinced that they were worth three

of the soldiers on the other side nor can we overlook the factor that some went to war to prove their manhood this has been and continues to be a key dynamic in understanding combat and the profession of arms soldiers join for many reasons but often stay in the fight because of their comrades and because they do not want to seem like cowards whatever the reasons the struggle was long and costly and only culminated with the conquest of the rebellious confederacy the preservation of the union and the end of slavery these campaign pamphlets on the american civil war prepared in commemoration of our national sacrifices seek to remember that war and honor those in the united states army who died to preserve the union and free the slaves as well as to tell the story of those american soldiers who fought for the confederacy despite the inherently flawed nature of their cause the civil war was our greatest struggle and continues to deserve our deep study and contemplation

the american civil war also known as the war between the states or simply the civil war in the united states see naming was a civil war fought from 1861 to 1865 in the united states after seven southern slave states declared their secession and formed the confederate states of america the confederacy or the south the states that remained in the union were known as the union or the north the war had its origin in the fractious issue of slavery especially the extension of slavery into the western territories foreign powers did not intervene after four years of bloody combat that left over 600 000 soldiers dead and destroyed much of the south s infrastructure the confederacy collapsed slavery was abolished and the difficult reconstruction process of restoring national unity and guaranteeing rights to the freed slaves began

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referring to the war that was raging across parts of the american landscape abraham lincoln told congress in 1862 we shall nobly save or meanly lose the last best hope on earth lincoln recognized what was at stake in the american civil war not only freedom for 3 5 million slaves but also survival of self government in the last place on earth where it could have the opportunity of developing freely noted historian steven e woodworth tells the story of what many regard as the defining event in united states history while covering all theaters of war he emphasizes the importance of action in the region between the appalachians and the mississippi river in determining its outcome woodworth argues that the civil war had a distinct purpose that was understood by most of its participants it was primarily a conflict over the issue of slavery the soldiers who filled the ranks of the armies on both sides knew what they were fighting for the outcome of the war after its beginnings at fort sumter to the confederate surrender four years later was the result of the actions and decisions made by those soldiers and

millions of other americans written in clear and compelling fashion this great struggle is their story and ours

the civil war in america fuller s modern age august 1861 by william howard russell the american civil war 1861 1865 in the united states often referred to as simply the civil war and sometimes called the war between the states was a civil war fought over the secession of the confederate states eleven southern slave states declared their secession from the united states and formed the confederate states of america the confederacy the other 25 states supported the federal government the union after four years of warfare mostly within the southern states the confederacy surrendered and slavery was abolished everywhere in the nation issues that led to war were partially resolved in the reconstruction era that followed though others remained unresolved hostilities began on april 12 1861 when confederate forces fired on a u s military installation at fort sumter in south carolina lincoln responded by calling for a volunteer army from each state to recapture federal property

infinitely readable and absorbing bruce catton s the civil war is one of the best selling most widely read general histories of the war available in a single volume newly introduced by the critically acclaimed civil war historian james m mcpherson the civil war vividly traces one of the most moving chapters in american history from the early division between the north and the south to the final surrender of confederate troops catton s account of battles is carefully interwoven with details about the political activities of the union and confederate armies and diplomatic efforts overseas this new edition of the civil war is a must have for anyone interested in the war that divided america

covers the essential factors which shaped the battles and ultimately determined the outcome of the civil war

a history of the civil war 1861 1865 is a book by james ford rhodes it won the pulitzer prize for history in 1918 the book is about the american civil war the civil war was fought between northern states loyal to the union and southern states that had seceded to form the confederate states of america the civil war began as a result of the unresolved controversy of the enslavement of black people and its disputed continuance war broke out in april 1861 when secessionist forces attacked fort sumter in south carolina just over a month after abraham lincoln had been inaugurated as the president of the united states

joseph eggleston johnston was one of the original five full confederate generals he graduated west point in the same 1829 class as robert e lee and served in the war with mexico the seminole wars in florida and in texas and kansas by 1860 johnston was widely looked upon as one of america s finest military officers during the civil war he commanded armies in virginia georgia and the carolinas and served as commander of the entire western theater during a critical period of the war johnston s contributions to the war effort however remain a lightning rod of controversy in the civil wars of general joseph e johnston richard m mcmurry argues persuasively that the confederacy s most lethal enemy was the toxic dissension within the top echelons of its high command the discord between general johnston and president jefferson davis and others which began early in the conflict and only worsened as the months passed routinely prevented the cooperation and coordination the

south needed on the battlefield if it was going to achieve its independence the result was one failed campaign after another all of which cumulatively doomed the southern confederacy mcmurry s study is not a traditional military biography but a lively and opinionated conversation about major campaigns and battles strategic goals and accomplishments and how these men and their decision making and leadership abilities directly impacted the war effort personalities argues mcmurry win and lose wars and the military and political leaders who form the focal point of this study could not have been more different and in the case of davis and johnston more at odds when it came to making the important and timely decisions necessary to wage the war effectively the civil wars of general joseph e johnston represents a lifetime of study and contemplation that captures johnston in a way that has never been accomplished it sheds fresh light on old controversies and compels readers to think about major wartime events in unique and compelling ways this first installment begins just before the civil war and ends on the eve of johnston taking command of the army of tennessee in north georgia here finally is the definitive study of how qualities of character played an oversized role in determining the outcome of the civil war

following abraham lincoln s presidential victory in 1861 eleven southern states withdrew from the union to form the confederate states of america sparking a war between the north and south in which a series of bitterly contested battles and sieges and countless minor skirmishes were fought dk s the civil war is divided into seven chronological chapters each introduced by a general overview of the military and political situation each of the war s major engagements is treated individually while still connecting the complicated relationships between the war s far flung theaters or the overall strategies of the two sides the civil war also includes the reactions of ordinary soldiers and civilians to the momentous events they witnessed as well as features on major personalities military and civilian and on aspects of the war away from the battlefield such as the effects of the northern blockade or the fate of prisoners the casualty toll of the civil war still exceeds that of every other american war before and since put together race and states rights remain potent issues to this day making the story of the civil war as gripping today as it was when it divided the nation more than 150 years ago

one hundred and fifty years ago the civil war began and its hold on the american imagination has not abated since this volume offers a concise history of the era and serves as a necessary introduction to dramatic events that fundamentally reshaped the nation

fourteen distinguished historians present a wide ranging discussion of the vast effort to chronicle the civil war an undertaking that began with the remembrances of civil war veterans and has become an increasingly prolific field of scholarship

the bloodiest day in american history took place on the 75th anniversary of the signing of the constitution on september 17 1862 robert e lee s confederate army of northern virginia fought george mclellan s union army of the potomac outside sharpsburg along antietam creek that day nearly 25 000 would become casualties and lee s army would barely survive fighting the much bigger northern army although the battle was tactically a draw it resulted in forcing lee s army out of maryland and back into virginia making it a strategic victory for the north and an opportune time for president abraham lincoln to issue the emancipation proclamation freeing all slaves in the rebellious states for those

Antietam is remembered as one of the major turning points of the civil war but it is often overlooked that the bloody battle only represented the climactic culmination of a 3 week campaign that saw George McClellan cautiously pull a fragmented Union Army together and begin tracking Lee's Army into Maryland. Sizing up McClellan, Lee had split his army up during its invasion, including sending Stonewall Jackson's men to Harpers Ferry but the whole course of the campaign and possibly the war changed when the Union Army somehow found a copy of Lee's marching orders telling them where the Confederate Army would be and when to Lee's surprise McClellan's Army began advancing far more rapidly including attacking them at South Mountain before cornering them along Antietam Creek outside of Sharpsburg. Without question the most famous battle of the American Civil War took place outside of the small town of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania which happened to be a transportation hub serving as the center of a wheel with several roads leading out to other Pennsylvanian towns. From July 1-3 Robert E. Lee's Confederate Army of Northern Virginia tried everything in its power to decisively defeat George Meade's Union Army of the Potomac, unleashing ferocious assaults that inflicted nearly 50,000 casualties in all. Day 1 of the battle would have been one of the 25 biggest battles of the Civil War itself and it ended with a tactical Confederate victory but over the next two days Lee would try and fail to dislodge the Union Army with attacks on both of its flanks during the second day and Pickett's Charge on the third and final day. Meade's stout defense held barely repulsing each attempted assault, handing the Union a desperately needed victory that ended up being one of the Civil War's turning points. After the South had lost the war, the importance of Gettysburg as one of the high tide marks of the Confederacy became apparent to everyone, making the battle all the more important in the years after it had been fought. While former Confederate generals cast about for scapegoats with various officers pointing fingers at Robert E. Lee, James Longstreet, and James Stuart, historians and avid Civil War fans became obsessed with studying and analyzing all the command decisions and army movements during the entire campaign. Despite the saturation of coverage, Americans refuse to grow tired of visiting the battlefield and reliving the biggest battle fought in North America. *The Civil War: Turning Points in the East* comprehensively covers the entire Pennsylvania campaign, analyzes the decisions made by the battles' most important leaders, and explains the aftermath of the Union victory and the legacies that were made and tarnished by the battles, along with bibliographies, maps of the battles, and pictures of important people and places you will learn about the battles like you never have before.

The Civil War is one of the most studied and written about episodes in the history of the United States. It remains the subject of cultural and historiographical debate. Of particular interest is the persisting myth of the 'lost cause' of the Confederacy. The American Civil War was among the earliest to use industrial warfare: railroads, the telegraph, steamships, the ironclad warship, and mass-produced weapons saw wide use. In total, the war left between 620,000 and 750,000 soldiers dead, along with an undetermined number of civilian casualties. The Civil War remains the deadliest military conflict in American history. The technology and brutality of the Civil War foreshadowed the coming world wars.

Loyal Americans marched off to war in 1861 not to conquer the South but to liberate it, so argues Elizabeth R. Varon in *Armies of Deliverance*, a sweeping narrative of the Civil War and a bold new interpretation of Union and Confederate war aims. Northerners imagined the war as a crusade to deliver the Southern masses from slaveholder domination and to bring democracy, prosperity, and education to the region. As the war escalated, Lincoln and his allies built the case that emancipation would secure military victory and benefit the North and South alike. The

theme of deliverance was essential in mobilizing a unionist coalition of northerners and anti confederate southerners confederates fighting to establish an independent slaveholding republic were determined to preempt discredit and silence yankee appeals to the southern masses in their quest for political unity confederates relentlessly played up two themes northern barbarity and southern victimization casting the union army as ruthless conquerors confederates argued that the emancipation of blacks was synonymous with the subjugation of the white south interweaving military and social history varon shows that everyday acts on the ground from the flight of slaves to protests against the draft the plundering of civilian homes and civilian defiance of military occupation reverberated at the highest levels of government varon also offers new perspectives on major battles illuminating how soldiers and civilians alike coped with the physical and emotional toll of the war as it grew into a massive humanitarian crisis the union s politics of deliverance helped it to win the war but such appeals failed to convince confederates to accept peace on the victor s terms ultimately sowing the seeds of postwar discord armies of deliverance offers innovative insights on the conflict for those steeped in civil war history and novices alike

this fascinating narrative tells the story of a remarkable regiment at the center of civil war history the real life adventure emerges from accounts of scores of soldiers who served in the 4th michigan infantry gleaned from their diaries letters and memoirs the reports of their officers and commanders the stories by journalists who covered them and the recollections of the confederates who fought against them the book includes tales of life in camp portraying the michigan soldiers as everyday people recounting their practical jokes illnesses political views personality conflicts comradeship and courage the book also tells the true story of what happened to colonel harrison jeffords and the 4th michigan when the regiment marched into john rose s wheat field on a sweltering early july evening at gettysburg beyond the myths and romanticized newspaper stories this account presents the historical evidence of jeffords s heroic yet tragic hand to hand struggle for his regiment s u s flag

this ebook has been formatted to the highest digital standards and adjusted for readability on all devices this pulitzer prize winning book remains one of the best histories on the topic of american civil war to this day for the purpose of writing this comprehensive work the author used the most authoritative documents and sources including personal traits of lincoln life and letters of general meade diary of gideon welles the reminiscences of carl schurz and official records of the union and confederate navies

neely considers the war s destructiveness in a comparative context revealing the sense of limit that guided the conduct of american soldiers and statesmen modern overemphasis on violence in civil war literature has led many scholars to go too far in drawing analogies with the 20th century s total war and the grim guerrilla struggles of vietnam

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