

Aim: How were the North and South different on the eve of the Civil War?

Do Now: The war that took place in the United States from 1861-1865 has been called by many names. Some of those include:

- The Civil War
- The War for Southern Independence
- The War of Northern Aggression
- The War Between the States

Which of these do you think is the best label? Why?

Battle of Fort Sumter

- (April 1861) Marks the start of the Civil War

Emancipation Proclamation (1863)

- Freed slaves in the “rebellious States”

Group Work

- Handout: Advantages of the North and South

ADVANTAGES

NORTH

- 25 States
- Bigger Population - 21 million people
- Larger military - Better Political Leadership (Lincoln)
 - Controlled the Seas
- Railroads - More than double of South's railroads
- Greater amount of farmland
- More Industrialized - Manufacturing - 90% of the countries industry

SOUTH

- 11 States
- 9 million people -(1/2 million were slaves)
- Better Military Leaders - (Stonewall Jackson, Robert E. Lee)
- Defensive War - Fighting to keep their way of life
- Gun culture - more skilled soldiers
- Few factories - dependent on imports