

Scavenger hunt questions for elementary school students visiting
THE MUSEUM OF THE CONFEDERACY

THE CONFEDERATE YEARS (*MAIN LEVEL*)

1. What was the first southern state to secede from the Union on December 20, 1860? When did Virginia secede?
2. Find the picture of the slave Marlboro Jones. Name one type of job that slaves did for the Confederate military.
3. Find the sword “Stonewall” Jackson used during the battle of First Manassas. What are the letters on the handle?
4. The ostrich plumed hat and field desk belonged to what famous general in charge of Robert E. Lee’s cavalry?
5. What weapon helped the Confederates win the battle of Fredericksburg?
6. Find the bloodstained handkerchief. Name the Confederate general who was wounded by his own men during the battle of Chancellorsville in May 1863.
7. Everything in the “headquarters tent” belonged to what Confederate general?

8. Find the drum used by a musician during the largest battle of the war. What is the name of this battle? Where was it fought?

9. The Union army surrounded (laid siege to) a small town on the Mississippi River for forty-seven days from May through July of 1863. What is the name of this important town, which finally surrendered on July 4, 1863?

10. What important event occurred on April 9, 1865?

11. Find the suit worn by Confederate President Jefferson Davis. What happened to him while he was wearing these clothes on May 10, 1865?

BETWEEN THE BATTLES (*UPPER LEVEL*)

Gallery 1

1. How was the majority of a soldier's time spent? (**see introduction**)
2. Find the coat of William Remick Hodge. How old was he? What was his occupation before the war? Did he survive?
3. What is the name for the heavy leather shoes worn by soldiers in both armies?
4. Find the drum. How was a soldier's life directed both on and off the battlefield?
5. Name the three branches of the army that engaged in combat?

Gallery 2 (Upon entering the gallery, **go LEFT**)

6. Find the kettle. Name two types of food that soldiers ate.
7. Find the block of pressed tobacco. What might a Confederate soldier get in exchange for it if he traded it to a Union soldier?

8. Name three ways soldiers passed time in camp.

9. Find the field desk. What device on the desk could be used for sending messages more quickly than by mail?

Gallery 3 (Upon entering the gallery, go LEFT)

10. *Find the Bible with the bullet hole through it.* Why did religion become more important to many soldiers during the war?

11. Find the wooden leg. To whom did it belong?

12. Most soldiers died not from bullets but from _____.

13. Name two types of weapons on display.

14. There are images of many soldiers lining the last wall. Pick a soldier; record his name and what happened to him.

(LOWER LEVEL)

1. What two Confederate generals are depicted in the large painting at the bottom of the stairs? What is the title of this painting?

VIRGINIA AND THE CONFEDERACY: A QUADRICENTENNIAL PERSPECTIVE

1. Find the Great Seal of the Confederacy. The image of what Founding Father is displayed on it?
2. Go to the “Slavery” panel. Find two documents that show slaves were considered property in Virginia.
3. Find the letter from Colonel Robert E. Lee to General Winfield Scott. What is the purpose of the letter?
4. Find the swords of General J.E.B. Stuart, Brigadier General Philip St. George Cooke, and General John R. Cooke. How were these men related? What does it show you about the Civil War?
5. Go to the panel entitled “Results of War.” Find the engraving of Lincoln riding through the streets of Richmond? What date did African Americans celebrate as a holiday in the years following the Civil War?

