

CIVIL WAR



Brief Description:

The U.S. Civil War took place from 1861 to 1865 and was fought between the Union states in the north and the Confederate states in the south. The war was the result of several years of disagreement and conflict over the issues of slavery, states' rights, and the westward expansion of the United States. Over the course of the war, the original plan of a short and limited conflict to restore the Union turned into a total war to abolish slavery and significantly altered the course of the country.

Topics:

- Causes
- Slavery
- Battles
- Medicine and Technology
- Role of Women
- Daily Life
 - Homefront
 - Soldiers
- Notable People
- Reconstruction

Books at MPL:

General:

- YA 973.7 Cummings – [Civil War](#) – Cummings, Judy
- YA 973.7 Golay – [Civil War](#) – Golay, Michael
- YA 973.7 Hakim – [War, Terrible War](#) – Hakim, Joy
- YA 973.7 Nardo – [The Civil War](#) – Nardo, Don
- YA 973.7 Sebree – [Historical Sources on the Civil War](#) – Sebree, Chet'la

Slavery and Black Lives:

- YA 973.5 Davis – [In the Shadow of Liberty: the Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives](#) – Davis, Kenneth
- YA 973.5 McNeese – [The Rise and Fall of American Slavery: Freedom Denied, Freedom Gained](#) – McNeese, Tim
- YA 973.5 Nardo – [The Atlantic Slave Trade](#) – Nardo, Don
- YA 973.5 Paley – [Slave Narratives and the Writings of Freedmen](#) – Paley, Caitlyn
- YA 973.7 Corrick – [The Civil War and Emancipation](#) – Corrick, James
- YA 973.7 Newsome – [Minority Soldiers Fighting in the Civil War](#) – Newsome, Joel
- YA 973.711 Cosner – [The Underground Railroad](#) – Cosner, Shaaron
- YA 973.711 Gorrell – [North Star to Freedom: the Story of the Underground Railroad](#) – Gorrell, Gena
- YA 973.711 Kallen – [Life on the Underground Railroad](#) – Kallen, Stuart
- YA 973.711 Sawyer – [The Underground Railroad in American History](#) – Sawyer, Kem
- YA 973.7115 Fradin – [The Underground Railroad](#) – Fradin, Dennis
- YA 973.7415 Haskins – [Black, Blue, and Gray: African-Americans in the Civil War](#) – Haskins, Jim
- YA 973.7415 Shepard – [Now or Never!: The 54th Massachusetts Infantry's War to End Slavery](#) – Shepard, Ray

Specific Topics:

- YA 355.07 Byers – [Strategic Inventions of the Civil War](#) – Byers, Ann
- YA 973.7 Nardo – [Bull Run to Gettysburg: Early Battles of the Civil War](#) – Nardo, Don
- YA 973.7 Silvey – [I'll Pass for Your Comrade: Women Soldiers in the Civil War](#) – Silvey, Anita
- YA 973.7 Stewart – [Weapons of War](#) – Stewart, Gail
- YA 973.714 Krensky – [The Emancipation Proclamation](#) – Krensky, Stephen
- YA 973.78 Coddington – [Code Breakers and Spies of the Civil War](#) – Coddington, Andrew
- YA 973.8 Walker – [Sinking the Sultana: a Civil War Story of Imprisonment, Greed, and a Doomed Journey Home](#) – Walker, Sally

Biographies:

- YA BIOG Anthology/Cordell – [Courageous Women of the Civil War: Soldiers, Spies, Medics, and More](#) – Cordell, M.R.
- YA BIOG Barton, C. C – [Clara Barton: Humanitarian](#) – Crompton, Samuel Willard
- YA BIOG Douglass, F. B – [Facing Frederick: the Life of Frederick Douglass, a Monumental American Man](#) – Bolden, Tanya
- YA BIOG Lee, R. K – [Robert E. Lee: Commander of the Confederate Army](#) – Kerby, Mona
- YA BIOG Lincoln, A. F – [Lincoln: A Photobiography](#) – Freedman, Russell
- YA BIOG Lincoln, A. M – [Commander in Chief Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War](#) – Marrin, Albert
- YA BIOG Tubman, H. S – [The Life of Harriet Tubman: Moses of the Underground Railroad](#) – Schraff, Anne
- YA BIOG Tubman, H. T – [Harriet Tubman](#) – Taylor, M.W.
- YA 973.714 Holzer – [Lincoln: How Abraham Lincoln Ended Slavery in America](#) – Holzer, Harold
- YA GRAPHIC/973.73 Vansant – [Grant vs. Lee: the Graphic History of the Civil War's Greatest Rivals During the Last Year of the War](#) – Vansant, Wayne

AV Materials at MPL:

DVDs:

- DVD/Biography/Lincoln – [Abraham and Mary Lincoln: A House Divided](#)

Books on CD:

- NF Books on CD/NPR – [NPR American Chronicles: The Civil War](#)

Online Resources:

These links are accessible through our website at medfordlibrary.org

Biography in Context:

- [Civil War](#) – Links to 11 biographies on notable Civil War figures

US History in Context

- [Civil War](#) – Search the US History in Context [site](#) for “Civil War” to find this and other links containing articles, primary sources, biographies, and more

History Crunch

- [Civil War](#) – Many subtopics on the Civil War

National Archives

- Military records and primary sources

[Timeline](#) – provided by the National Park Service

PBS

- Ken Burns' [Civil War](#)

Library of Congress

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- [Selected resources](#)