**Civil War Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[Overview of the American Civil War - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-us-civil-war-reading/)

1. What were the main causes of the American Civil War?
2. What was the Dred Scott Decision?
3. What was the significance of Abraham Lincoln's election in 1860?
4. How did the economies of the North and South differ?
5. Which were the first seven states to secede from the Union?
6. How did the North and South compare in terms of population and resources at the start of the war?
7. What was the first major battle of the Civil War?
8. What was the significance of the Battle of Antietam?
9. What was the Emancipation Proclamation?
10. Who was Robert E. Lee?
11. What was the significance of the Battle of Gettysburg?
12. What was the Battle of Vicksburg and why was it important?
13. Who was Ulysses S. Grant?
14. What was the final battle of the Civil War?
15. How many people died as a result of the American Civil War?
16. What happened to Abraham Lincoln shortly after the end of the war?
17. What was the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution?
18. What was the Reconstruction Era?
19. What was the economic impact of the Civil War?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your readings, answer the question below in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*Why did the Union forces win the Civil War?*