

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Students in Group: \_\_\_\_\_

## **CIVIL WAR RESEARCH EXTENDED RESPONSE**

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### **USEFUL WEBSITES:**

<http://www.lisle202.net/jhhotlist/index.htm> - LRC's reference folder. There are loads of encyclopedias here. All User Names and Passwords are on the page. Do not use *Wikipedia*.

[www.civilwar.com](http://www.civilwar.com)

<http://www.pbs.org/civilwar/war/facts.html> (cool page)

<http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/database/subtitles.cfm?titleID=27>

<http://www.civilwarhome.com/records.htm>

<http://www.civilwar.org/battlefields/>

### **PROCEDURE**

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1. Split into groups.
2. Identify your battle.
3. Research this question: why did the winner win this battle?
4. State your thesis – the answer to your question is the thesis. Make it strong and clear.
5. Continue research – take notes on the support (information) for your thesis.
  - a. While researching, you will identify your sources.
  - b. Begin putting the source information into a citation for the Works Cited.
6. Use the Extended Response Chart
  - a. State your thesis statement – why did the winner of your battle win?
  - b. Organize your support – be sure each FERDS has a source which is correctly cited. Be sure your support is focused on the thesis.
  - c. Connect your personal experience to the subject of winning/overcoming a challenge, etc.
  - d. Conclude your paragraph.
  - e. Your final draft should include SIX paragraphs.
7. Write your rough draft. Each student in the group will write the paragraph on his/her own. Help each other with the format. Check each other's to make sure it is correct but not identical. The goal is to practice citing with the support of your peers. Next time, it will be done individually.
8. Each student will turn the paragraph in electronically on [www.TurnItin.com](http://www.TurnItin.com).

- The assignment is worth 30 points.
- It is due:\_\_\_\_\_
- Each student will hand in his/her own paper. Each group member should help other members to review their work before it is handed in for a grade.
- The essay should be in the extended response format – see the chart.
- There should be a total of SIX paragraphs. The length should be about one and a half pages.
- The main areas of evaluation will include
  - **Focus:** thesis sentence about why the winner won the battle,
  - **Support:** three FERDS that answer the question: Why does the winner win?
  - **Interpretations:** elaborating on the FERDS,
  - **Connection:** in what way does this relate to your life? Did you ever overcome odds and win at anything?
  - **Citations:** your citations, works cited page.
  - **Conventions:** (grammar, sentence structure, capitalization etc.) will factor into your grade.