

# Civil War Museum Project

**Design a museum exhibit to teach about a topic from the American Civil War. Your exhibit should include an artifact and plaque with a written description of the artifact and explanation of its significance. Your exhibit should engage museum visitors, so be creative and consider constructing a 3D artifact and adding an interactive feature to your exhibit.**

1. Uncle Tom's Cabin—How did it change hearts and minds?
2. Underground Railroad—What were the experiences of all the parties involved?
3. Abolitionists—What actions did they take to further their cause?
4. North vs. South—How and why were they different?
5. Bleeding Kansas—How was the turmoil in Kansas an example of conflict throughout the US?
6. Compromise of 1850—What was it? What effect did it have on the country? Was it successful?
7. Gettysburg Address—Why is it remembered as such an influential speech?
8. Abe Lincoln's Life and Death—How did he rise in the ranks to become president and what shaped his views on slavery?
9. Emancipation Proclamation—What effect did it have on our country? How did it change the lives of slaves?
10. Missouri Compromise—What was it? What effect did it have on the country? Was it successful?
11. Geography of the Civil War—How did our country change before, during, and after?
12. Agricultural Technology of the Civil War—What tools were plantation owners using to make their farms efficient and profitable?
13. Significant Battles of the Civil War—Which battles started, ended, or were turning points in the war?
14. Military Technology & Life on the Battlefield—What was life like for soldiers? What military weapons and tactics were used?
15. Civil War Medicine & Nursing—How did nurses care for wounded soldiers during the Civil War? If you were injured, what were your chances of survival?
16. Clara Barton—Why do we remember her?
17. Uniforms and Fashions—What did the soldiers wear in the north and south? Was fashion for women different in the north and south? Rich vs. poor fashion?
18. Music, Art, and Poetry of the Civil War—What music, art, and poetry reflect this time period? What memorable pieces are still admired today?