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Ken Burns Civil War: Episode 1 The Cause _____ Date: _____
Video Viewing Guide

This video series puts together still images, letters and diary entries (all three, primary sources) and commentary from historians to tell the story of the Civil War. In the section we will be watching, the video uncovers some of the growing tensions within the United States. The purpose of the viewing guide is to assist you in gathering as much information as possible about the events that led to the Civil War and to bring to light the concepts we have been and will be studying. **Take the time during the video to take notes, answer questions and fill in blanks.**

1. Wilmer McClane's farm

First major battle of the war was called _____ or Manassas.

A shell exploded in McClane's summer _____.

He moved his family to Appomatox _____ where Lee surrendered to Grant.

"The war began in my _____ and ended in my _____."

2. The Civil War was fought in _____ thousand places.

More than _____ million Americans fought.

_____ hundred thousand died which was _____ % of the population.

In two days at Shiloh more men fell than in all _____
_____ combined.

At Cold Harbor more than _____ thousand men fell in _____ minutes.

3. What began as a bitter dispute over union and _____' rights ended as a struggle over the meaning of _____ in America.

Shelby Foote

"Any understanding of this nation has to be based on an understanding of the _____ . It defined us. It was the _____ of our being."

4. In 1861, most of the nations people lived peaceably on _____ and in small _____.

All Night Forever

5. Name some of the diseases/conditions listed that slaves had due to their living conditions:

Fewer than _____ out of 100 [slaves] lived to be 60.

Thomas Jefferson quote: “Maintaining slavery was like holding a _____ by the ears. You didn’t like it, but you didn’t dare _____.” How did Eli Whitney’s cotton gin help spread slavery? One out of every _____ Americans were slaves. _____ million

Are We Free

The Ohio River separates several free states from several slave states. How are the northern banks of the river described?

And the southern banks?

Who was John Brown? How were opinions split about him?

What were the results of Lincoln’s victory in 1860?

What was Secessionitis?