ESSENTIAL CIVIL WAR CURRICULUM

Civil War Timelines

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Resources

If you can read only one book

Author	Title. City: Publisher, Year.
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Organizations

Web Resources

URL	Name and description
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	day using material published by the
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	Life of Abraham Lincoln, provides a day to
	day timeline of Lincoln's Life.
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	at the University of North Carolina's blog.
http://www.pbs.org/kenburns/civil-	The Civil War Timeline is produced by PBS.
war/war/timeline/	
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	view of the Civil War.

Other Sources

Scholars

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Topic Précis

Despite the welcomed movement away from history solely focusing on events, names, and dates, historians frequently use timelines to supplement content and provide readers important context about historical events. Civil War timelines are particularly popular and in nearly every website or book on the subject, authors will frequently include a timeline as a helpful tool for readers. The renewed interest in the Civil War by the public, arising from the sesquicentennial, has led to a proliferation of books, internet sites, and other media on

the war that introduce new readers to the conflict. In much of this new media, timelines play a key role in giving a brief overview of the war years in a short amount of space. Among the many sources of excellent Civil War timelines are Neil Kagan's *Atlas of the Civil War*, and *The Civil War Almanac* by Henry Steele Commager. Civil War timelines are also available on line from organizations such as the Civil War Trust and the National Park Service. The *New York Times* blog *Disunion: The Civil War*, *The Lincoln Log* and The University of North Carolina's *The Civil War Day by Day* also offer comprehensive timelines which are based on a day by day reporting on the Civil War.
