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**Activity 4**: With your partner, read Chamberlain’s description of the surrender of Lee’s army and answer the questions which follow.

*Joshua Chamberlain was a college professor who joined the Union army. He*

*was awarded the Medal of Honor for his leadership at the Battle of Gettysburg,*

*and at the end of the war had risen to the rank of Brigadier General.*

**The Last Salute of the Army of Northern Virginia**

Excerpt:

"Bayonets were affixed to muskets, arms stacked, and cartridge boxes unslung and hung upon the stacks. Then, slowly and with a reluctance that was appealingly pathetic, the torn and tattered battleflags were either leaned against the stacks or laid upon the ground. The emotion of the conquered soldiery was really sad to witness. Some of the men who had carried and followed those ragged standards through the four long years of strife, rushed, regardless of all discipline, from the ranks, bent about their old flags, and pressed them to their lips with burning tears.

"And it can well be imagined, too, that there was no lack of emotion on our side, but the Union men were held steady in their lines, without the least show of demonstration by word or by motion. There was, though, a twitching of the muscles of their faces, and, be it said, their battle-bronzed cheeks were not altogether dry. Our men felt the import of the occasion, and realized fully how they would have been affected if defeat and surrender had been their lot after such a fearful struggle.

"But, as I was saying, every token of armed hostility having been laid aside, and the men having given their words of honor that they would never serve again against the flag, they were free to go whither they would and as best they could. In the meantime our army had been supplying them with rations. On the next morning, however, the morning of the 13th, we could see the men, singly or in squads, making their way slowly into the distance, in whichever direction was nearest home, and by nightfall we were left there at Appomattox Courthouse lonesome and alone."

-Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain

Answer the following questions:

1. Does the scene described seem to be full of hatred, or full of kindness?

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1. How do the Union Soldiers feel as they watch the Confederate soldiers put down their guns and walk away?

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1. Why were the Confederate soldiers allowed to leave on their own?

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1. At the end, Chamberlain says the Union army was left at Appomattox Courthouse, “. . . lonesome and alone.” Why do you think the army felt that way?

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Baltimore Platform

The National Convention which assembled at Baltimore on the 7th of last June and there nominated ABRAHAM'LINCOLN for re-election as President, with ANDREW JOHNSON as Vice-President, adopted and presented to the American People the following platform.

Resolved, That it is the highest duty of every American citizen to . . . aid the Government in quelling by force of arms the rebellion now paging against its authority, and in bringing to the punishment due to their crimes the rebels and traitors arrayed against it.

1. *How does the platform say the rebellion should be ended? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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Resolved, That we approve the determination of the Government of the United States not to compromise with rebels, nor to offer any terms of peace except such as may be based upon an " unconditional surrender " . . . and that we call upon the Government to maintain this position and to prosecute the war with the utmost possible vigor .

1. *How much effort should be put into winning the war?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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Resolved, That, as Slavery was the cause, and now constitutes the strength, of this rebellion, . . . and the national safety demand its utter and complete extirpation from the soil of the republic; and that we . . . are in favor, furthermore, of such an amendment to the Constitution . . . as shall terminate and forever prohibit the existence of Slavery within the limits of the jurisdiction of the

United States.

1. *How does the platform want to resolve the issue of slavery? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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Resolved, That we approve and applaud the practical wisdom, the unselfish patriotism, and unswerving fidelity to the Constitution and the principles of American liberty, with which Abraham Lincoln has discharged . . . that we approve especially the Proclamation of Emancipation, and the employment as Union soldiers of men heretofore held in Slavery; and that we have full confidence in his determination to carry these and all other constitutional measures essential to the salvation of the country into full and complete effect.

1. *What does the platform say about emancipation? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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Resolved, That we approve the position taken by the Government that the people of the United States never regarded with indifference the attempt of any European power to overthrow by force, or to supplant by fraud, the institutions of any republican government on the western continent, and that they view with extreme jealousy, as menacing to the peace and independence of this our country, the efforts of any such power to obtain new footholds for monarchical governments, sustained by a foreign military force, in near proximity to the United States.

1. What ‘foreign governments’ is the platform talking about? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Bell activity: Explain how success or failure during a war would affect the election of a president:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | |

**Activity 1**: Presidential elections: With your partner, read the following campaign platforms, answer the questions after each paragraph:

Chicago Platform

The Democratic National Convention which gathered at Chicago on the 29th of August, and presented the names of GEORGE B. McCLELLAN for President, and GEORGE H. PENDLETON for Vice-President, agreed on and adopted the following platform.

Resolved, That in the future, as in the past, we will adhere with unswerving fidelity to the Union under the Constitution, as the only solid foundation of our strength, security, and happiness as a people, and as a frame-work of government equally conducive to the welfare and prosperity of all the States, both Northern, and Southern.

1. What does the party say it is based on? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Resolved, That this Convention does explicitly declare, as 'the sense of the American People, that, after four years of failure to restore the Union by the experiment of war . . . the public welfare, demand that immediate efforts be made for a cessation of hostilities, with a view to an ultimate Convention of all the States, or other peaceable means to the end that at the earliest practicable moment peace may be restored on the basis of the Federal Union of the States.

1. What does the platform say should be done about the rebellion: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Resolved, That the aim and object of the Democratic party is to preserve the federal Union and the rights of the States unimpaired; and they hereby declare that they consider the administrative usurpation of extraordinary and dangerous powers not granted by the Constitution . . . as calculated to prevent a restoration of the Union and the perpetuation of a government deriving its just powers from the consent of the governed.

1. What are the Democrat party’s goals? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Resolved, That the sympathy of the Democratic party is heartily and earnestly extended to the soldiery of our army, who are and have been in the field under, the flag of our country; and, in the event of our attaining power, they will receive all the care and protection, regard and kindness, that the brave soldiers of the Republic have so nobly earned.

1. How does the Democrat party feel about soldiers in the Union army? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Activity 3**: Read the ‘Articles of Agreement’, and answer the questions at the end.

***Articles of Agreement:***

*Relating to the Surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia*

*Appomattox Court House Virginia*

*April 10, 1865*

*Agreement entered into this day in regard to the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia to the United States Authorities.*

1. *The troops shall march by Brigades and Detachments to a designated point, stock their Arms, deposit their flags, Sabers, Pistols, etc. and from thence march to their homes under charge of their Officers, superintended by their respective Division and Corps Commanders, Officers, retaining their side Arms, and the authorized number of private horses.*
2. *All public horses and public property of all kinds to be turned over to Staff Officers designated by the United States Authorities*

1. *Such transportation as may be agreed upon as necessary for the transportation of the Private baggage of Officers will be allowed to accompany the Officers, to be turned over at the end of the trip to the nearest U.S. Quarter Masters, receipts being taken for the same.*
2. *Couriers and Wounded men of the artillery and Cavalry whose horses are their own private property will be allowed to retain them.*
3. *The surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia shall be construed to include all the forces operating with that Army on the 8th inst., the date of commencement of negotiation for surrender, except such bodies of Cavalry as actually made their escape previous to the surrender, and except also such forces of Artillery as were more than Twenty (20) miles from Appomattox Court House at the time of Surrender on the 9th inst.*

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| Article 1 | 1. What are the troops to do with their weapons:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   1. Where do the Confederates go after their surrender:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Article 2 | 1. What does ‘public’ mean: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Article 4 | 1. What is done with privately owned horses:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Article 5 | 1. Does Lee’s surrender end the war: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Explain: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| **Activity 2**: Complete the information for the following events and place each event in the correct order on the timeline below: Mark the event as a Confederate win, or a Union win, on the map provided. |

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| Battle Name | Date | Location |
| Atlanta Campaign | May-Sept, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | From Chattanooga, Tennessee, to Atlanta, Georgia |
| Joseph Johnston’s army surrenders | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1865 | Durham, North Carolina |
| Lee’s army surrenders | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1865 | Appomattox, Virginia |
| Lincoln is assassinated | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1865 | Washington, DC |
| March to the Sea | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1864 | From Atlanta, Georgia, to Savannah, Georgia |
| Overland Virginia Campaign | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1864 | Wilderness, Virginia, to Petersburg, Virginia |
| Reelection of Lincoln | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1864 | Washington, DC |
| Siege of Petersburg | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1864 - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 1865 | Petersburg, Virginia |

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