



North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

Chapter 9: Civil War and Reconstruction

Section 2: Sticking with the Confederacy

Focused Reading

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. During the American Civil War, North Carolinians acquired the nickname of _____.
2. North Carolina provided _____ of all the Confederate soldiers, even though the state had only _____ of the South's population.
3. Although North Carolina provided large numbers of soldiers, the state was no more the _____ leader of the Confederacy than it had been a _____ force in America's earlier history.
4. Much of the early fighting in the Civil War took place in _____.
5. _____ stayed with the Confederacy until the end. When the _____ army laid down its arms at Appomattox Court House in 1865, one-fourth of those who _____ were North Carolinians.
6. Although the Civil War was fought mostly in _____ and _____, considerable fighting took place along _____ North Carolina.
7. In the summer of 1861, the Union began to capture _____ forts on the Outer Banks. By 1862, the _____ controlled the sounds.
8. Since the start of the war, the _____ had maintained a _____, where a fleet of ships patrolled the ocean outside all southern _____.
9. The _____ used the currents, tides, and shoals to _____ the North's ships. _____, low-

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lying steamships that were painted gray to match the ocean and fool pursuers, were able to slip in and out of _____ waters.

10. More than a _____ small battles were fought at various points in the _____.
11. As the war raged on elsewhere in 1865, _____ closed in on North Carolina from all sides. In January, a Union _____ force took Fort Fisher, closing _____ port.
12. After burning Columbia, South Carolina, Sherman's army headed toward the key _____ depot at Goldsboro, to cut off "the _____ of the Confederacy."
13. By the end of April 1865, most North Carolina soldiers were on their way _____.