## A State Forged in Fire

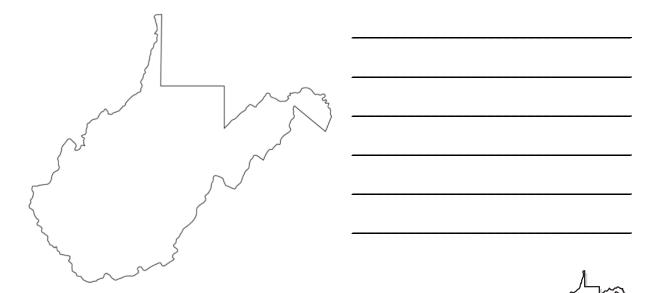
**Directions:** West Virginia was a major development during the Civil War. Not only was it one of two states formed during the Civil War, but it was also the only state to be formed from seceding from a Confederate state, Virginia. Numerous battles of the Civil War were fought in West Virginia because it was a border state. In this lesson, you will examine statistics about the battles to learn more about the war.

**Instructions:** Click the links below to find information to complete each item.

Battlefields of West Virginia Map

List of Battles in West Virginia

- 1. Where was the first Civil War battle in West Virginia?
- 2. Where was the last Civil War battle in West Virginia?
- 3. Which "Class B Major" battles took place in West Virginia?
- 4. How many total battles occurred in West Virginia?\_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Which state saw the most battles during the war?
- 6. Choose one of the West Virginia battles from the websites. Mark the location of the battle on the map below. Then, write a short paragraph to summarize the battle (generals, casualties, winner, etc.).



7. Complete the table with information from the websites. Choose four battles to study and summarize information about the battles in the table below.

## Selected Battles of the Civil War in West Virginia

Battle	Date	Commanders		Number of Casualties		Winner
		USA	CSA	USA	CSA	winner

**Finished Early?** Check out these links to learn more about some of this lesson's topics.

<u>Does the Camera Ever Lie?</u> Learn about the power of the photographer in influencing opinions of the viewers.

<u>National Archives Civil War Photographs</u> Photography was new during the Civil War. Check out some of these incredible photographs from the National Archives.

Harper's Weekly Read copies of newspapers from the 1860s.