

*Union Campaigns
Cripple the
Confederacy*



*Chapter 16 Section 5
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The Wilderness Campaign

What was the Wilderness Campaign?

A series of battles between Union and Confederate forces in northern Virginia that delayed the Union capture of Richmond

Describe the RESULTS of the Wilderness Campaign?

*The campaign was seen as a failure
Did NOT capture Richmond
Lots of Union casualties*

Sherman Strikes The South

<p>What was General William T. Sherman's goal in the Spring of 1864 AND WHY?</p>	<p>Capture Atlanta; knock out important Railroad hub Why – Lincoln needed a “big” victory to help with his re-election campaign</p>
<p>What happened on September 2nd, 1864?</p>	<p>Atlanta, GA “fell” to Union troops, led by Sherman</p>
<p>Where did General Sherman go after Atlanta?</p>	<p>Headed to the port city of Savannah, GA</p>

Sherman Strikes The South (cont'd)

<p>Describe the military tactic known as <i>“Total War.”</i></p>	<p>The practice of destroying civilian, military, & economic resources (for the Civil War, this meant plantations, roads, livestock, crops, homes, etc)</p>
<p>How did General Sherman help President Lincoln in the 1864 election?</p>	<p>Sherman’s success showed that the Union was able to successfully defeat the Confederacy on its own territory Union victories showed that the war was “winnable”</p>
<p>What was the lasting impact of Sherman’s presence in the South?</p>	<p>Sherman’s destruction would lead to lasting anger and resentment towards the North that would continue on for generations to come</p>

The South Surrenders

Why was General Robert E. Lee forced to meet with General Grant in April of 1865?

- ***Lee's army was trapped***
- ***Running low on supplies***
- ***Could not "break" the Union lines***

What happened on April 9th, 1865?

- ***Lee formally surrendered to Grant, thus ending the Civil War***

What was the significance of Appomattox Court House?

- ***Location of Lee's surrender to Grant***

The Effects of the War

<i>How many Americans died while fighting in the Civil War?</i>	Approx. 620,000
<i>What is the relationship between slavery and the end of the Civil War?</i>	Defeat of the Confederacy would bring about the end of slavery
<i>What was life like in the South for newly freed African Americans?</i>	No homes, no jobs, southern economy in ruins Former slaves could now travel to find loved ones, get married, travel freely throughout the states