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Answer Key: A House Divided: The Civil War Story for 2nd Grade Quiz

Engaging recall questions about Northern and Southern life, soldiers' experiences, and Clara Barton's medical work for daily history review.

1. Life in the North was different than the South. Most people in the North worked in large buildings called:

Answer: B) Factories

The North was known for its big cities and factories where people made things like tools and clothing.

2. Soldiers during the Civil War often slept outside in tents called pup tents.

Answer: A) True

Soldiers lived outdoors and moved around a lot, using small tents for shelter.

3. Clara Barton was a famous lady who helped sick and hurt soldiers. She later started the American _____.

Answer: C) Red Cross

Clara Barton is known as the 'Angel of the Battlefield' and founded the American Red Cross to help people in need.

4. What kind of food did soldiers eat most often because it didn't spoil during the long walks?

Answer: B) Hardtack crackers

Hardtack was a very hard, dry cracker that stayed good to eat for a long time without a refrigerator.

5. The Civil War was a fight between the Northern states and the Southern states.

Answer: A) True

The war happened because the two halves of our country disagreed on many important rules.

6. To send secret messages quickly, leaders used a machine called the _____.

Answer: B) Telegraph

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The telegraph used wires and clicks to send messages much faster than a person on a horse.

7. What colors were the uniforms of the two different sides?

Answer: A) Blue and Gray

The North wore blue uniforms and the South usually wore gray uniforms so they could tell each other apart.

8. Robert Smalls was a brave man who escaped to freedom by sailing a ship.

Answer: A) True

Robert Smalls took a ship called the Planter to get his family to safety and later became a leader in Congress.

9. When the war ended, the country had to start the ____ period to fix everything.

Answer: C) Reconstruction

Reconstruction means 'to build again.' This was the time spent fixing buildings and bringing the states back together.

10. Which of these was a way people traveled long distances during the Civil War?

Answer: B) Steam trains

Steam trains on railroads were the main way soldiers and supplies were moved across the country.