

*Investigation: Did soldiers on both sides of the Civil War experience the same level of hardship?*

As you read through each letter, answer the following:

- 1) how does the soldier feel about the war?
- 2) To what extent did that soldier experience hardship? (A lot of hardship? A little? Why?)

**CONFEDERATE**

EVIDENCE (SUMMARIZE IN YOUR OWN WORDS)

Letter #1: Thomas Wright

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Letter #4: Joseph Elkins

**UNION**

EVIDENCE (SUMMARIZE IN YOUR OWN WORDS)

Letter #2: Robert Christie

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Letter #5: John Miller

Make letter 3 HIPP!

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**For letters 6 and 7: one is from a Union soldier and one is from a Confederate soldier. Answer the following questions to determine which letter comes from which soldier:**

How does the soldier feel about slavery? How can you tell? Use quotes to support your answer.

Letter 6

Letter 7

Predict:

The writer of Letter 6 was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier.

The writer of Letter 7 was a \_\_\_\_\_ soldier.

*Check with Ms. Pool to see if you're correct.*

What surprises you about the answer? Discuss with your team any surprises or confusion. Reflect below.