



Instructions: Read the passages and fill in the chart.

If: The answer is Gettysburg, color the cell green

If: The answer is Antietam, color the cell blue.

If: The answer is Both, color the cell red.

If: The answer is Neither, color the cell gray.

Name _____

Battle of Antietam (September 17, 1862)

The Battle of Antietam, fought near Sharpsburg, Maryland, was the bloodiest single day in American history, with over 23,000 soldiers killed, wounded, or missing. Union General George McClellan faced Confederate General Robert E. Lee in a fierce battle that ended with Lee's retreat. This Union victory gave President Abraham Lincoln the opportunity to issue the Emancipation Proclamation, shifting the war's focus to the abolition of slavery.

Battle of Gettysburg (July 1–3, 1863)

The Battle of Gettysburg occurred in Pennsylvania and lasted three days, making it one of the longest and deadliest battles of the Civil War. Over 50,000 total casualties were recorded. Union forces under General George Meade defended against repeated attacks by Confederate General Robert E. Lee. The battle concluded with Pickett's Charge, a failed Confederate assault, leading to a significant Union victory and marking a turning point in the war. Lee was forced to return to Virginia, unsuccessful in his attempt to invade the North.

Event	Gettysburg	Antietam	Both	Neither
Fought in Maryland				
Lasted two days				
Involved Union forces fighting against Robert E. Lee				
Included Pickett's Charge				
Was a turning point in the War				
More than 20,000 casualties were reported				
Resulted in the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation				
Fought in Virginia				
Confederate victory				

Answers

Event	Gettysburg	Antietam	Both	Neither
Fought in Maryland		Blue		
Lasted two days				Grey
Involved Union forces fighting against Robert E. Lee			Red	
Included Pickett's Charge	Green			
Was a turning point in the War	Green			
More than 20,000 casualties were reported			Red	
Resulted in the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation		Blue		
Fought in Virginia				Grey
Confederate victory				Grey