

Chapter 15 Study Questions

1. Upon taking office in 1861, how did Lincoln hope to avoid war? What challenges did he face in dealing with the states that had seceded?
2. What was the overall goal of the moderate forces at the Montgomery convention?
3. Why were the Border States important?
4. What were the advantages and disadvantages of the Union and the Confederacy?
5. What difficulties were faced by both the Union and Confederate home fronts?
6. How was the Northern economy better able to adapt to wartime conditions? What obstacles did the nature of the Southern economy present to the Confederate war effort?
7. What were the diplomatic goals of the Confederacy?
8. What impact did the Emancipation Proclamation have on the war and Union politics?
9. How did both the Union and Confederacy deal with manpower issues during the war? What problems arose out of this policy?