

## Part Three: The war of independence

The Civil war was the deadliest in American history. Over 600,000 soldiers died. The fighting started in South Carolina in 1861. It ended in 1865.

During the war, Abraham Lincoln was a president who was against slavery and was determined the country would stay united.

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## Part 4: Enemies to Allies (wartime)

The United States of America originally hoped to be neutral during WWI and WWII. However both times they ended up allying with Great Britain.



The first US submarine built by Simon Lake, called the USS Seal.

This is because Germany broke the agreement between them and the US for 'restricted submarine warfare' and started attacking lots of American submarines. The US declared war on Germany in April 1917. This meant they allied with Britain in WWI.