

## Middle School Lesson 4: Civil War

### Intro

- Review what students know about the Civil War, and what they want to know using this KWL chart
  - <http://www.tales2go.com/sites/default/files/learning-resource/KWL%20Chart%20Horizontal.pdf>
- Discuss why war happens and what the implications of war are

### Listen and Discuss

- Listen to the first and second chapter of *Across Five Aprils* by Irene Hunt
- While listening, students should keep track of the characters, traits and evidence (support) for the trait by using this graphic organizer
  - <http://www.tales2go.com/sites/default/files/learning-resource/Characters%20and%20Traits.pdf>
- Discuss the differences in thought between southern and northern states

### Respond

- Students should answer the following questions in their notebook:
  - How would/did you feel if/when a family member went to fight in a war?
  - What personal connections can you make to this text so far?
  - What questions about The Civil War do you have?

### Assignment

- If students have access to Tales2Go at home, assign approximately 30 minutes per night along with a graphic organizer and/or a book log.