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# Battle of Bull Run

- a.k.a. Battle of Manassas
- July 21, 1861
- Union Army led by Gen. Irwin McDowell
- Confederate Army led by P.G.T. Beauregard
- 25,000 troops for each side
- Beauregard planned to attack Union's capital city
- Reinforcements were en route from Shenandoah Valley, VA



Dedication of Bull Run memorial  
June 10, 1865

# Battle of Bull Run

- Union wanted to block troops coming in by rail
- McDowell under enormous pressure from DC politicians
- Union leads early
- Jackson stands strong in defense
- Johnston, reinforcements arrive
- McDowell orders retreat
- “The great skedaddle”



Monument to Stonewall Jackson  
Manassas, VA

# Battle of Bull Run

Aftermath:

- The long haul
- Weather a factor?
- McDowell out, McClellan in
- Southern advantages in the field
- Why not push to DC?



Broken bridge over Bull Run  
Outside Manassas, VA

# Western Theater

## Fort Donelson and Fort Henry, February 1862

- Strategic Confederate river positions in Western Tennessee
- Grant's meteoric rise; A.S. Johnston's fall
- First major Union victories
- Attempt to divide state

## Battle of Shiloh, April 1862

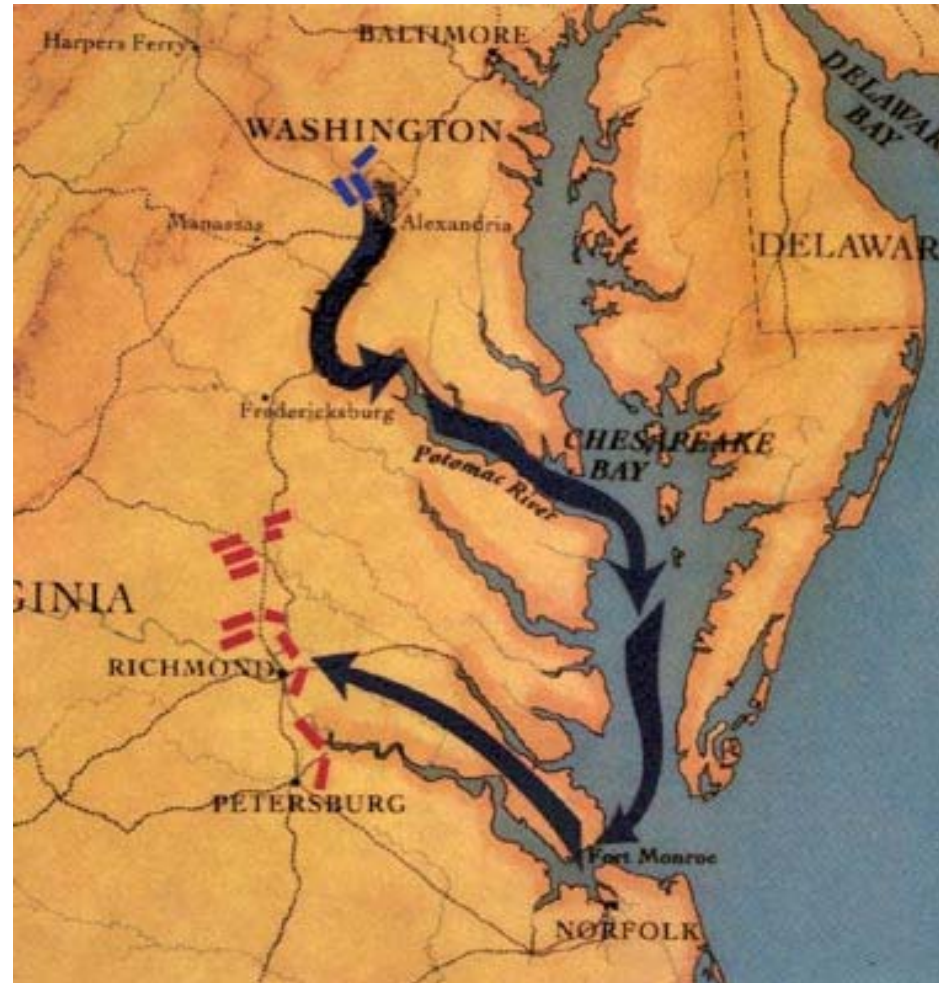
- South springs surprise attack
- Union reinforces
- Bloody victory for North
- Unconditional Surrender Grant eyes Vicksburg, Mississippi



Battle of Fort Henry  
Gunboats fire from the Tennessee River

# Peninsula Campaign

- McClellan tries to take Richmond
- May-July, 1862
- McClellan's too cautious
- Lee gets reinforcements
- Slow bleed of Union troops
- Confederates scavenge arms from Union casualties
- McClellan's out
- Lee plays offense; splits to head north
- McClellan finds a cigar



# Battle of Antietam

- Lee charges into the North
- Bloody stalemate
- Tie's a win for the Union
- 23,000 casualties
- Confederacy wanted provisions, international recognition; got neither
- Lincoln's furious
- North had strategic advantages
- Why not pursue in retreat?
- North could have won the war



Lincoln and McClellan  
Antietam battlefield





