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How to Win a National Conflict in 10 Easy Steps



2 Find a Difference

Well, if both sides are prosperous and life is good, so how are you supposed to start a war? Well the North and South were successful in very different ways. The South relied on farming, slave labor, and exports to fuel their economy while the North focused heavily on industry.

Make the North do something the South doesn't like. How about, making their exports less profitable through a tariff on global exporting?

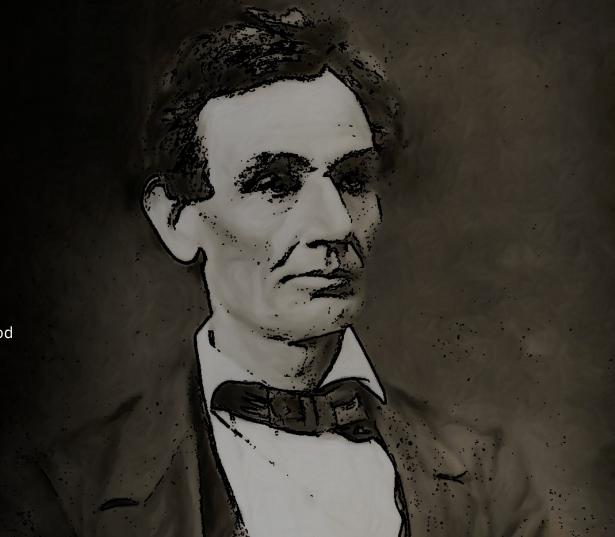


3 Fan the Flames

Would you look at that, they're threatening to secede from the nation already!

They must have really not liked that. Keep things going and use their divided opinions to get a Northern president elected.

Abraham Lincoln looks like a good candidate, get him in office!



4 Division

Wow, that was easy. You just got 6 states to secede! They look really angry, so let them make the first move.

And look, they just attacked your troops at Fort Sumner, perfect!

Wha'da'ya'know, 5 more states just seceded, you're on a roll! However, it's crucial that no more states secede, or the chances of winning go way down.



5 Intimidation

Now, crush their hopes of winning. Build some giant metal ships to cut off their river supplies. Oh wait, they have them too.

Well that's why you always have a plan B: More ground combat is always a good idea.



6 Make History

Well since you're equal on water, let's overpower them on land. Let's send ~50,000 soldiers to go fight them; Antietam sounds like a good location.

This ought to be a quick battle, look at how many troops you have! Oh wait, they have a lot of troops too. Oh well, begin the fighting!

Well, that was a lot of death. At least you're in the history books for bloodiest battle fought on American soil!



7 Moral Boost

That was an uncommon amount of death your troops are getting really discouraged, this war is lasting longer than expected. Let's get that Abe guy to give a quick speech and lift the nations spirits.

Oh, he just emancipated all the slaves. That works too.



8 Win

With your troops freshly motivated and fighting for a renewed cause, let's see what we can do. It looks like a certain General Lee is hanging about at the Appomattox Court House, let's go there.

Look at that, he just surrendered; we win! Told you it would be easy.



9 Rebuild

The war's not over now, you've got a whole new battle to face. Rebuilding the damaged South is going to be a long difficult process. Put that Abe Lincoln guy on it again, he does a good job of things.

10 Relax

Ahh, the glorious sound of reconstruction; you've had a long couple of years, take some time to relax. Put your feet up, you've earned it. If you're looking for some ideas, this John Booth guy told me about a cool play being performed, you should go watch it!

