

### 3<sup>rd</sup> in class essay

1. Explain why in September 1864 Lincoln appeared to be facing in defeat in the Presidential elections of that year.
2. 'From the outset it was quite clear that the Union would ultimately be victorious in the Civil War.' To what extent do you agree with this assessment?
3. Lincoln was an opponent of slavery? Discuss to what extent and did his views change?
4. How close did the Confederacy come to 'winning' the Civil War?
5. Lincoln was the only President capable of dealing with the basic issues underlying the sectional conflict in the United States?
6. 'The victory of the Union in the Civil War was inevitable.' How far do you agree with this view?
7. Evaluate the factors that secured the victory of the Union in the Civil War.
8. Compare and contrast the two governments during the Civil War.
9. The Civil War changed the American government in many ways. Assess this statement.
10. The Civil War impacted America in many ways. Assess this statement.
11. What was the turning point of the Civil War and why?