

Comparing Battles

This activity accompanies chapter 8 from *The Heart of Happy Hollow* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 4959.

Activity Title: Comparing Battles

Description: The students will work in pairs to research the Battle at Malvern Hill, from the story, and another Civil War battle. They will then compare and contrast both battles and the effects the battles had on the population.

Subject: Social Studies

Skill: American History – Civil War

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will compare significant Civil War battles and events, and their effects on civilian populations.

Materials:

- *The Heart of Happy Hollow, Eight: Cahoots*, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- History books or internet access

Procedures:

Read the eighth chapter of *The Heart of Happy Hollow* or have the students read it on their own. Discuss with the class the historical significance of this chapter, and what parts are fact and fiction (the battle was real the characters were fiction, but possibly named after someone real). Have the students work in pairs to research the Battle at Malvern Hill (mentioned in the story) and one other significant battle of the Civil War. Next, have them fill out the chart (below) comparing and contrasting battles, the major events, and the effects they had on the civilian populations. When the students have finished working, have a whole class discussion reviewing their answers.



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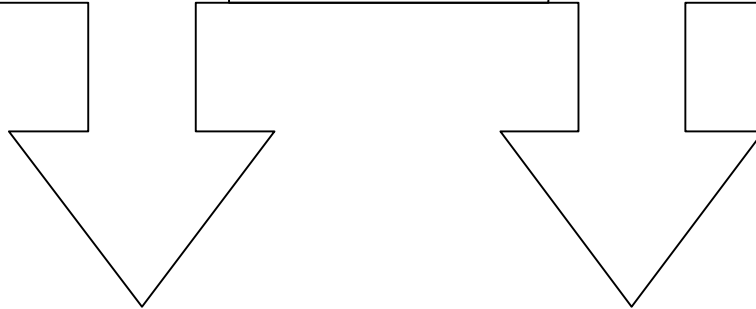
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Cahoots

Battle at Malvern Hill

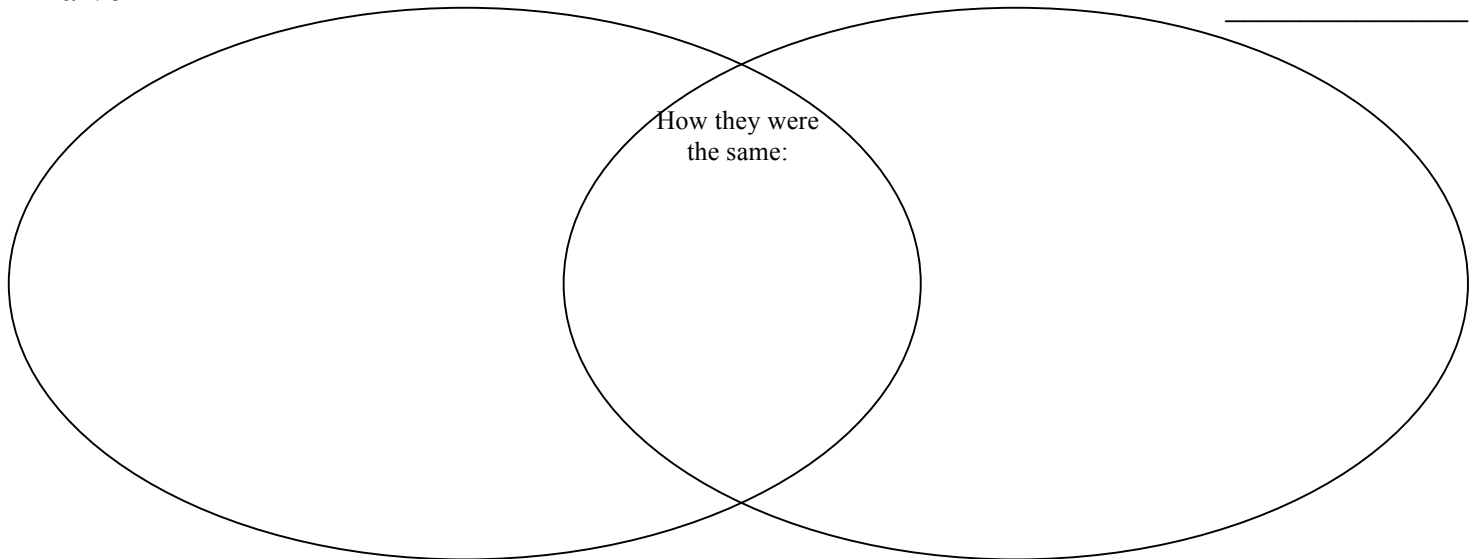
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Effects of the Battle at
Malvern Hill

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