

CIVIL WAR ON SUNDAY MAGIC TREE HOUSE #21



Special Needs for Special Kids



10 activities

15 questions



These novel units are something I created and started using in my classroom. I had students with significant challenges and most were **non-readers** (like my little guy). They were the best thing I ever did, and my students LOVED them.

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This novel unit has **10 different activities**. There is an activity for each chapter that is NOT comprehension based. So, even if your students do not pay attention, they can still complete the activity.

I am a brave person

Sometimes things make me feel

But I try to be brave.



First, I

about what is happening.

I make sure it is

Then, I will

nervous	worried	scared	unsure	confused	stressed
look at	listen to	think about	watch	figure out	wonder
safe	okay	a good idea	I want to do	follows the rules	
try	be brave	get started	do it	do my best	

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Jack knows he must be brave.

Here, students will write a story about being brave.

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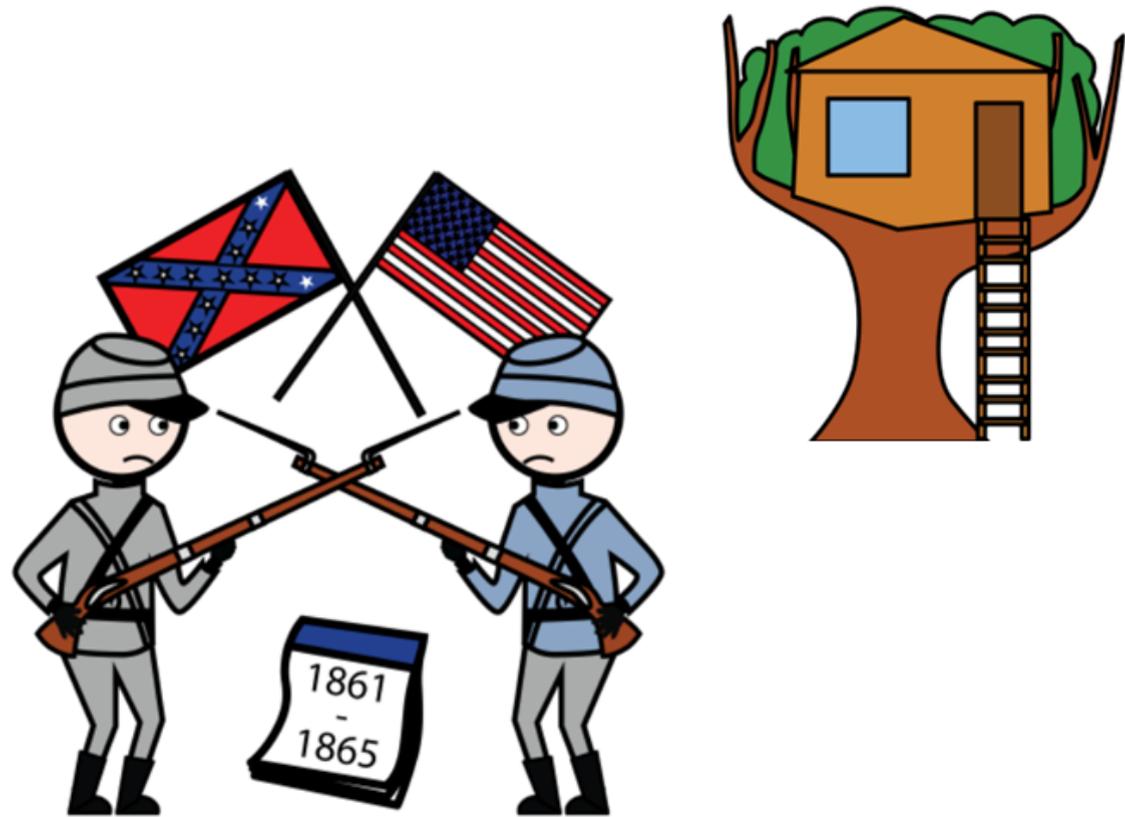
Suggestions for Use

- I made this unit to go along with the book, *Civil War on Sunday*, *Magic Treehouse #21*.
- I figured that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1 chapter per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 5) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- Benefits of reading out loud, even to classes made up of severely affected students:
 - Teaches students to sit quietly even when there isn't something for them to do. This is such an important life skill. We all have to spend time sitting and listening to someone we are not that interested in at some point.
 - Parents will LOVE you. Not only will they be excited their child is being exposed to age appropriate material, but you are teaching them how to sit quietly, which will hopefully transfer to home as well.
 - Even with your lowest level learners, you will have 1 or 2 that will truly enjoy the story.
 - It can be a calming experience to sit and listen to the teacher read in a methodical way.
- For students who need more structure, place the number of post-it notes in front of him/her that corresponds to the number of pages you intend to read. Remove a post-it as you finish each page. The visual will help lessen their anxiety.
- You will find 1 activity for each chapter. You will still have plenty to choose from and find those that fit best with your students.
- Differentiation:
 - For any activity, you can quickly differentiate for your lower level learners by using a color coding technique.
 - If sorting, outline each sorting category a certain color and then outline the corresponding pictures the same color.
 - Becomes a matching task.
- This unit includes 15 comprehension questions. There is a chart to show which chapter each question comes from. Each questions is a multiple-choice questions with three answer choices that uses pictures. *(This is a separate pdf.)*
- An answer key is included.

Suggestions on how I found this activity worked best in my classroom are provided. I typically had 6-8 students in grades K-5 with one adult assistant in the room with me.

Civil War on Sunday Magic Tree House #20 for Special Education

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This entire novel unit comes in 2 separate files. One is completely in color and one is completely in black and white.

Story Board : to use while reading and for class discussions. Laminate and make 1 copy for each student.

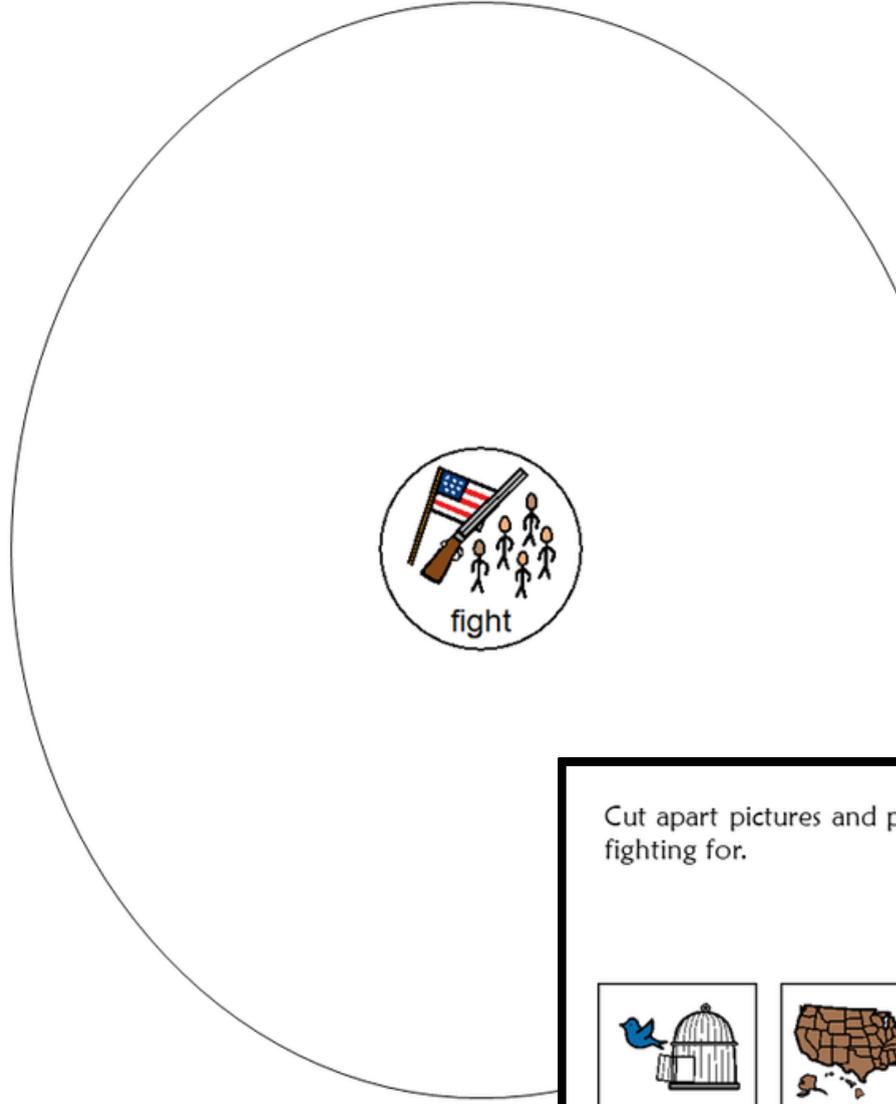
 Jack	 Annie	 Civil War	 soldiers	 nurses
 comfort	 field hospital	 wounded	 Clara Barton	 wagon
 cannonballs	 Drummer Boy	 feverish	 cruel	 homesick
 repeat that	 I like that	 I don't like that	 I don't know	 need a break

This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

Vocabulary boards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

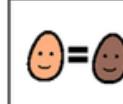
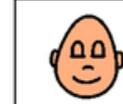
Tips on how to use in the unit!!

The soldiers are willing to give up their lives to fight in the war. What are some things most people would think are worth fighting for?

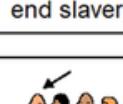
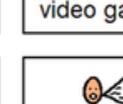
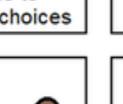


Errorless version

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map showing things are worth fighting for.

 freedom	 protect country	 family	 equality	 stay safe
 end slavery	 free speech	 free religion	 able to make choices	 right to vote

Cut apart pictures and place in circle map **ONLY IF** they are worth fighting for.

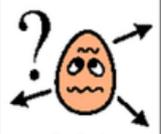
 freedom	 protect country	 family	 vacation	 stay safe
 end slavery	 video game	 free religion	 able to make choices	 candy bar
 be first in line	 free speech	 money	 equality	 right to vote

There is a circle map what has 2 options:

An errorless option with only correct answers

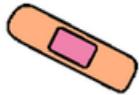
An option that has wrong answers mixed in students will need to set aside.

What are some ways we can comfort people in the following situations?

 sick		 lonely	
 sad		 bored	
 I'm lost		 far away	
 hurt		 sore throat	

There are matching activities. You can quickly differentiate these activities with some color-coding.

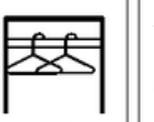
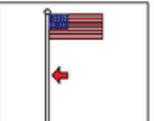
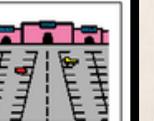
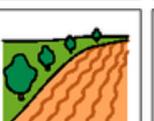
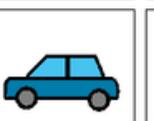
Match with the situations on previous page. Try and make the **BEST** match.

 play a game	 bandaid	 map	 chicken soup
 joke	 tea with honey	 visit	 send a card

Jack and Annie head into the woods as a storm approaches. Where are some safe and unsafe places you can be in a bad storm?

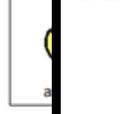
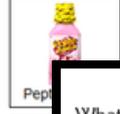
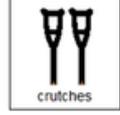
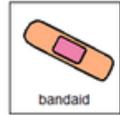
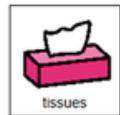
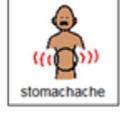
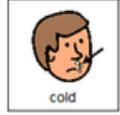
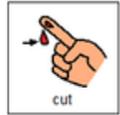


Sort the following into the correct column on the previous page. If you are not sure, place it on the middle line.

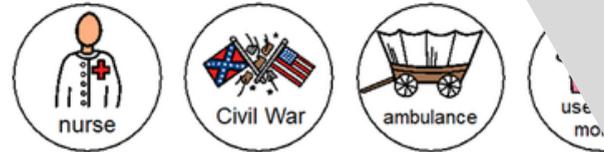
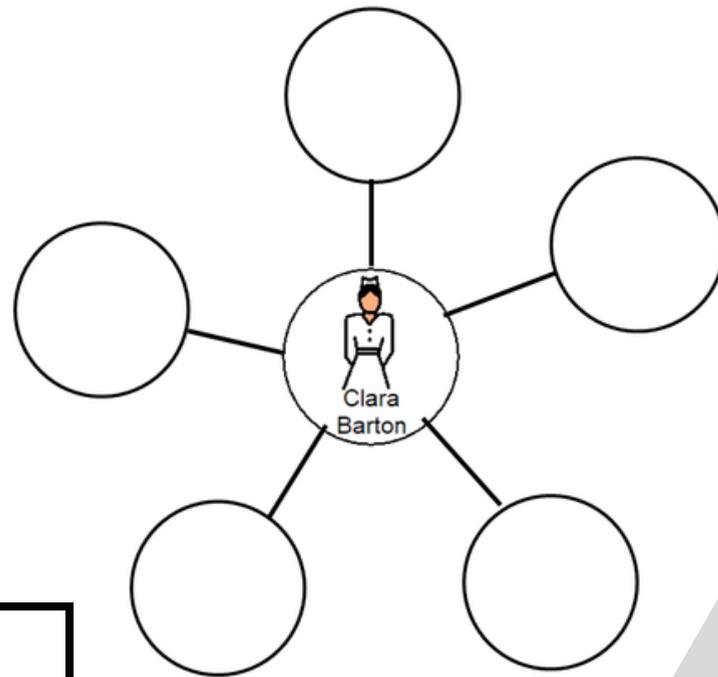
 golf course	 basement	 hill	 closet	 outside
 by a flagpole	 near a window	 in school	 under a tree	 in the mall
 in a bathroom	 in a field	 in a car	 inside	 flying a kite

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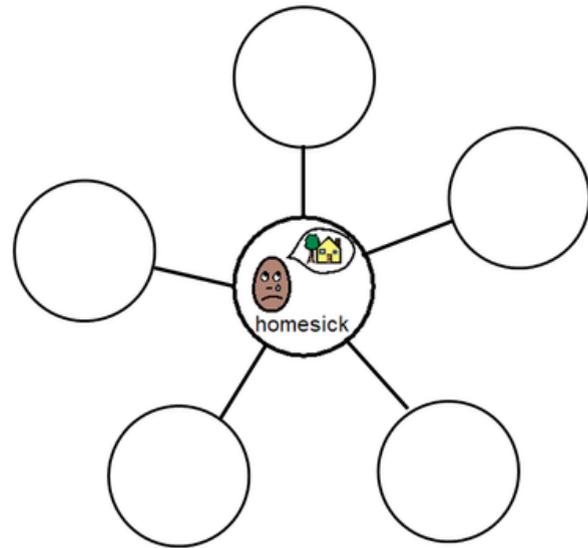
Jack and Annie will help take care of the sick soldiers, including the Drummer Boy. Match the best medicine for each injury on the left.



What are some facts about Clara Barton?



What does it mean to feel homesick?



There are lots of activities to choose from so you can pick the best ones for your students, or do them all!!

My trip in the magic treehouse

I looked in a book about and made a wish.

We landed in the middle of a .

I saw lots of out the window.

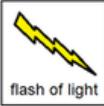
I could hear from the tree house.

When it was time to go back home, I felt .

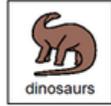
 Civil War	 soldiers	 Clara Barton	 a Drummer Boy	 US history
 battle	 field	 farm	 field hospital	 forest
 soldiers	 smoke	 cannonballs	 tents	 nurses
 crying	 yelling	 rifles	 explosions	 thunder
 exhausted	 happy	 excited	 a little sad	 great

All of the Magic Tree House units end with a writing prompt. These are errorless activities. Students will write a story about their trip in the treehouse. Different pictures are used for each novel.

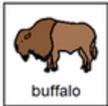
1. What did Annie see in the woods?



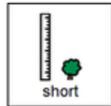
2. What is the book about that Jack and Annie found?



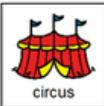
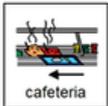
3. What did Annie see coming out of the forest?



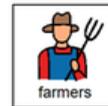
4. What did Jack learn about the Civil War?



5. What were all the tents that Jack and Annie found?



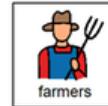
6. What do Jack and Annie volunteer to be?



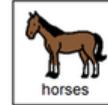
7. What had the men in the second tent been before the war?



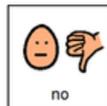
8. Who brought the wounded soldiers to the hospital in a wagon?



9. What was ruining the farm fields?



10. Could the Union and Confederate soldiers ride together in the same wagon when injured?



Finally, this unit does come with 15 comprehension questions.

There is a guide that references which chapter each question came from.

Answer key included!!