Hands-On • Civil War Diamonds

- Robert E. Lee
  - Commanded the Army of Northern Virginia
  - 1860
  - The year of Lincoln's election as President

- South Carolina
  - First State to secede from the Union

- Jefferson Davis
  - President of the Confederate States of America
  - 1861-1865
  - Years of the Civil War
  - Political cause for the Civil War: States' Rights

- Ulysses S. Grant
  - Commanded the Army of the Potomac
  - President of the Confederate States of America

- John Wilkes Booth
  - Responsible for the assassination of Lincoln
  - 1860
  - The year of Lincoln's election as President

- Emancipation Proclamation
  - Freed the slaves in areas of rebellion but not in the Union
  - 1860
  - Lincoln's decision to issue his proclamation

- Gettysburg Address
  - Lincoln's speech to commemorate a national cemetery
  - 1863
  - The year of Lincoln's election as President

- Secession
  - To formally leave the Union

- Slavery
  - Moral cause for the Civil War
  - 1860
  - The year of Lincoln's election as President

- 54th Massachusetts
  - First African American Fighting Unit in the Union

- Fort Sumter
  - 1st Battle of the Civil War

- Antietam
  - Victory here influenced Lincoln's decision to issue his proclamation

- Vicksburg
  - Union takes control of the Mississippi River

- Gettysburg
  - Turning point of the Civil War
  - Southern Army is decimated

- Appomattox Courthouse
  - Where General Lee surrendered
  - Union takes control of the Mississippi River

- 54th Massachusetts
  - First All African American Fighting Unit in the Union

- 1860
  - The year of Lincoln's election as President
  - Political cause for the Civil War: States' Rights
This strategy helps students build their vocabulary skills through an interactive matching game.

### Prep Work:
- Fill in the text boxes in the template with a term on one side and the definition on the opposite side. (Except Edges)
- Run off the diamond puzzle pieces on card stock.
- Cut out each of the diamond pieces.
- Place pieces in a zip-lock baggie.

### Strategy:
- Have students spread out the pieces in front of them.
- Explain to students that they are to match the term with the definition.
- Explain to students that some pieces will require them to make 4 correct matches.
- Explain to students that their completed puzzle will be in the shape of a six-sided (Hexagon) polygon like the example below.