**Interview: What caused the Civil War?**

Goal: Complete an interview of an American citizen from 1861 on what caused the war to begin.

Final Product:

1. Basic biography of your citizen following the template below.
2. 10-15 interview questions
3. Complete, detailed answers proving your mastery of the 7 causes of the Civil War listed below.

Requirements:

1. Typed or clear/neat handwriting
2. No less than 10 questions
3. All 7 causes must be included
4. Your questions and answer must be different from others. DO NOT COPY!
5. Answers must be detailed enough to contain descriptions of the 7 causes
6. Do **NOT** phrase your questions all the same way:
   1. Example: How do you feel about…? How do you feel about …?
7. Interview needs to sound like you are speaking to someone directly.
   1. Example: Are you excited about the territories being able to vote on slavery? *Answer: No, I do not think that it should even be considered as an option. I think slavery should not be able to spread into the non-state sections of the country.*

Assignment format: Your paper should be formatted in the following way:

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| Name  Class  Interview: What caused the Civil War?  Biography:  Name: *You can make this up. School appropriate*  Age: *Use the “character description” card*  Description: *copy from the “character description” card*  Interview:  Q1. *Insert first interview question here*  A1. *Insert first question’s answer here*  Q2. *Insert second interview question here*  A2. *Insert second question’s answer here*  Q3….  A3…. |

7 causes of the Civil War Topics:

1. Slavery
2. State’s Rights
3. Nullification
4. Compromise of 1850
5. Georgia Platform
6. Dred Scott Court Case
7. Election of 1860