A Before Reading

1 Look at the pictures on pages 9 and 10. Complete the crossword below, which uses some of the words from these two pages.

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2 A civil war is a war fought by two groups of people from the same country. What do you know about the American Civil War? Who were the two sides? What were they fighting over? Who won the war? Do you know of any other civil wars from other countries? What is the difference between a civil war and a revolution?
B While Reading

3 Match the parts of the sentences together to describe the main characters from each of the stories. The first one has been done for you.

- Peyton Farquhar
  - was a wealthy landowner
  - trying to protect his home from the Union Army

- Mohun Dampier
  - liked hunting
  - to save his reputation

- Pauline and Eva Maynard
  - crossed the desert
  - and had a brother who fought with him in the army

- Hugh Morgan
  - had an evil guardian
  - who wanted their money

- Private Jerome Searing
  - disagreed with his family
  - to find wealth in the goldfields of California

- Ramon Gallegos, William Shaw and George Kent
  - fell in love with a girl
  - but met a creature that was too powerful for him

- Barr Lassiter
  - was a scout
  - but died a lonely man

- Lieutenant Herman Brayle
  - wanted to die bravely in war
  - and left to fight in the civil war

4 All of the stories involve one or more people dying. Fill in the table below for each story.

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C After Reading

5 Choose one of the stories. You are to make the story into a movie. Who will direct your movie? Who will star in your movie? Design a movie poster and write a sentence which describes the story. Why did you choose the story you chose?

6 Do you think America would be different today if the Confederate Army had won the Civil War? Or would another war have been fought, and then another, until it was made illegal to own slaves? Are there any countries in the world that still have slaves? Have people in your country ever fought over the issue of slaves?