1. Review the information in the article, “The US Civil War, the First Modern War: Telegraph” (Aeragon) at http://www.aeragon.com/03/#telegraph.

2. Read about the history of the telegraph in the “Morse Timeline” at https://www.loc.gov/collections/samuel-morse-papers/articles-and-essays/timeline/1840-1872/. Using the timeline, fill in the important events that occurred on the following dates:

   - 1840: __________________________________________________________
   - 1844: _____________________________________________________________________
   - 1861: _____________________________________________________________________
   - 1861 (Oct 24): ______________________________________________________
   - 1866 (Atlantic Cable): _________________________________________________
   - (1876: Alexander Graham Bell invents the telephone)
3. Examine the image, “Morse Apparatus and Alphabet,” at [http://www.loc.gov/item/2006691784/](http://www.loc.gov/item/2006691784/). Examine the upper portion of enlarged image depicting the telegraph receiver and transmitter. Can you describe how it works?

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6. Examine the image, “Repairing the Telegraph line,” at [http://www.loc.gov/item/2006676182/](http://www.loc.gov/item/2006676182/). What do you think are the dangers of being a telegraph repairman?

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7. Examine the image, “General Grant writing telegraph message,” at [http://www.loc.gov/item/2004682153/](http://www.loc.gov/item/2004682153). After General Grant writes his message to President Lincoln, describe the process of how it will get to President Lincoln.

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*See also the thumbnail of “President Lincoln in the War Department Telegraph Office writing the first draft of the Emancipation Proclamation” ([http://www.loc.gov/item/2002715446/](http://www.loc.gov/item/2002715446/)). Please note that this thumbnail does not expand into a larger image.*