

# 1775-1865: Defending the New Republic

## Gallery Worksheet

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In this gallery, you will explore the early history of the Marines from their beginnings during the American Revolution on through the long years of the Civil War.

**Start** at the gallery entrance; read about the actions of the First Continental Congress and the early Marines during the Revolutionary War.

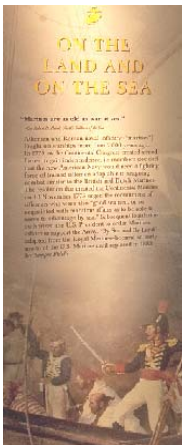


### A Maritime Nation

1. What role did a Marine have on a naval vessel?
2. How did Marines get the nickname “leatherneck?”

3. Look at the gallery of paintings.

How would you describe the work of the Marines during this time?



4. What *motto* was adopted by the Marines in 1883? (Find the information about Marines “on the land and on the sea.” )

5. From 1800 to 1805 seas were not safe. What dangers did American ships face? (Find the display pictured here.)



## Global Expeditions



6. What was the mission given to Lieutenant Wilkes?

7. Find the map that illustrates exploring expeditions of Lieutenant Wilkes and Commodore Perry. What ocean and continents were being explored by Wilkes and Perry?

8. What *continent* was reached at the point *farthest south* on Wilkes' expeditions?

9. Commodore Perry explored and "opened" trade in \_\_\_\_\_ . (name the country)



## The Civil War



10. The award for "valorous behavior" in battle created during the Civil War was called \_\_\_\_\_.

11. Two Civil War battles that accounted for most Marines recognized with that honor are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.



12. Read about the new ships used in the Civil War. What *improvement* was made to ships? (Hint: How were they built?)

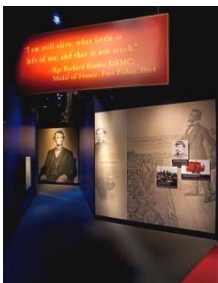


13. Find the case of weapons from the Civil War. What can you *observe* about weapon technology during the Civil War?



### **Amphibious Artillery**

14. Read about the battle at Fort Fisher. What did Marines have to do during this battle?



15. Using this image as a guide, look up to find a quote from Sgt Richard Binder after the battle of Fort Fisher. Pretend you are about to interview Sgt Binder; what question do you want to ask?

16. How do you think Sgt Binder would describe the role of Marines at Fort Fisher or in the Civil War? (You can make these statements based on what you have read so far in the gallery)

17. Stand in front of the portrait of Lincoln at Gettysburg; listen to the recording. How did Lincoln's words impact the nation?

