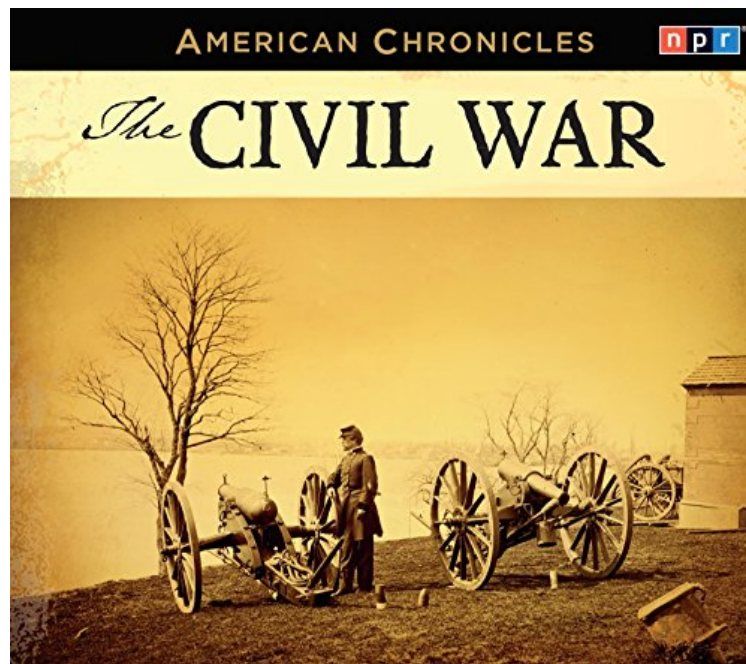


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NPR : NPR American Chronicles: The Civil War (American Chronicles (History Press)) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised NPR American Chronicles: The Civil War (American Chronicles (History Press)):

10 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Timely, Yes; Relevant, Of Course; Interesting, Always By James Hiller We "celebrate" the 150th anniversary of our country's Civil War with a re-enactment of the Ft. Sumter attack a few days back; or pop in the documentary (The Civil War - A Film by Ken Burns) that made us fall in love with the event and Ken Burns; or read a book or two (March or Confederates in the Attic: Dispatches from the Unfinished Civil War). Celebrate is such a strange word, isn't it? Do we want to celebrate the deaths of over a million people? More like commemorate. We reflect, we remember, and in turn, we make the sacrifice that started 150 years ago of the brave soldiers fighting to keep a country united and to free an enslaved people. NPR has tossed its aural hat into the ring by producing a wonderful collection of stories, "NPR American Chronicles: The Civil War". Hosted by Neal Conan, this three disc set is some of the best Civil War stories compiled by NPR. Once again, we hear the southern drawl of Shelby Foote as he explains the significance of the war on southerners; the plaintive tones of Sam Waterson give the Gettysburg Address (is there a better voice for that?); Susan Stamburg bringing Lincoln alive from his summer retreat. It's quite a cornucopia of listening, something for everyone; historians, book lovers, battlefield experts, the general public. One story that absolutely touched me was a woman recounting a story of taking her grandchildren to see the Emancipation Proclamation; how this "dry document" freed four million people. Wonderful. As someone

who spend a ton of time driving around in his car, this collection is going to be with me. It unfortunately ends much too soon. But fortunately, I have a host of books, as well as Ken Burns, also to keep me company. Highly recommended. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great audio book By Sagafoo (Sasha M Karn) This is the audio book version of Ken Burns Documentary about the Civil War. I purchased it for my grandmother who is 88. She enjoyed it very much. I like how NPR did this show with re-enactments and stories from people who lived during these turbulent times. Highly recommended! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The interviews were recorded poorly. The volume needs to ... By galtnurse The interviews were recorded poorly. The volume needs to be adjusted constantly as the voice tones go up and down. Needs to be re-recorded and cleaned up.

NPR captures the battlefield action, the personal struggles, and the moral dilemmas of the war that pitted brother against brother (and sometimes sister) and friend against friend. This revealing collection of Civil War stories features gripping history, expert commentary, and unforgettable voices: Shelby Foote reflects on the southern perspective. E.L. Doctorow discusses Sherman and The March. Sam Waterston performs the Gettysburg Address. Hal Holbrook honors Iowa in the Civil War. Susan Stamberg reports from Lincoln's summer retreat. James McPherson tours Gettysburg's hallowed ground. Tony Horwitz explores the world of Civil War reenactors. Plus visits to battlefields at Manassas, Antietam, Gettysburg, and much more. The NPR American Chronicles series explores the historical events that continue to resonate in our lives. Expert commentary and unforgettable stories create vivid sound portraits of history's greatest people and events, examined in multi-faceted and moving detail.

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