U.S. Wars in the 1800s Lesson Answer Key

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The War of 1812
In the 1800s, the United States fought in four wars.
The War of 1812 was between the United States and Great Britain.
This war ended in 1815.
Francis Scott Key wrote the national anthem during this war.
The national anthem is called "The Star-Spangled Banner."

The Mexican-American War
The Mexican-American War was between the United States and Mexico.
This war was from 1846 to 1848.
The United States won the war and received land from Mexico.
Today, that land is California, Nevada, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, and parts of other states.

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The Civil War
The Civil War was the biggest U.S. war in the 1800s.
The Civil War was between the North and the South.
This war was from 1861 to 1865.
Many Northern and Southern soldiers died in the war.
The Memorial Day holiday started after the Civil War.
On Memorial Day, we honor all soldiers who have died during wars.

The Spanish-American War
The Spanish-American War was between the United States and Spain.
The United States won the war in 1898.
After the war, Puerto Rico, Guam, and other islands became part of the United States.
Today, Puerto Rico and Guam are U.S. territories.

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Read the sentence. Write the correct words in the blank.
1. The United States fought four wars in the 1800s.
2. Guam and Puerto Rico are U.S. territories.
3. The Star-Spangled Banner is the name of the national anthem.
4. The Civil War was between the North and the South.
5. Memorial Day is a national U.S. holiday.
**Timeline of the 1800s**

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Write the name of each war on the timeline.

- 1800
  - War of 1812
- 1812–1815
  - Mexican-American War
- 1846–1848
  - Civil War
- 1861–1865
  - Spanish-American War
- 1898

**Memorial Day**

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Write the words.  
**Memorial Day**

Copy this sentence.  
**We celebrate Memorial Day in May.**