

Civil War Diary

SS 08-5.1.1 Students will use a variety of tools to describe and explain historical events and conditions and to analyze the perspectives of different individuals and groups in U. S. history prior to Reconstruction.

J.J. Halcomb was a Confederate soldier from Alabama who enlisted in the army at the age of thirteen. Using your computer, go to Kazilek.com/pages/jjhalcomb.htm. Find diary listings. Read his diary for the month of Feb. 1862. What are your reactions? Write a paragraph about each of the following:

- Write 3 paragraphs describing the conditions of soldiers.
- Write about what you think he missed most about his home.
- Write about how do you think members of his family felt while he was away in the war.
- As J.J. Halcomb, write a letter home to your parents to tell them what life is like as a Civil War soldier.