



# Fort Huger Hunt

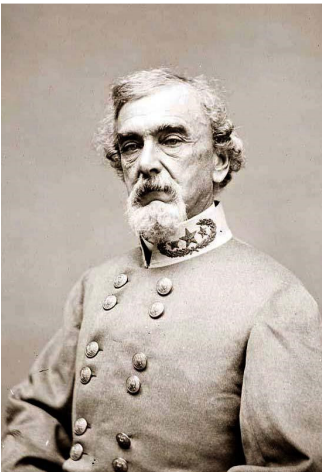
Using the signs around the fort, answer the following questions.

Why did the Confederate forces build a second fort on the James River so close to Fort Boykin?



Who was the engineer that designed the fort?

Who was the Major General that lent his name to the fort?



In what year did construction of the fort begin? When did it fall to the Union?

Walk across the footbridge over the marsh. Why would it be a good natural defense for the fort?

As you enter the fort, you are crossing through a sally port. What is the definition of sally port?

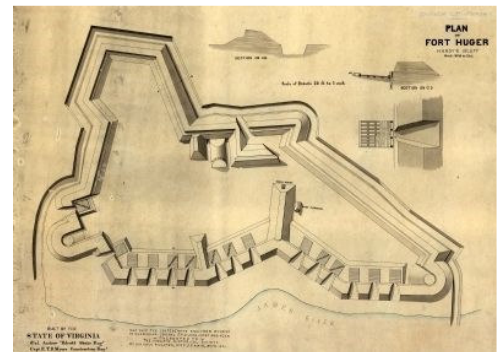
Using the sign count the number of free and enslaved African-Americans who worked on the fort. Were they paid?

Bombproofs were built into the fort. What was the purpose of a bombproof, and what type of construction material was used?



Looking at the design of the fort, from which direction did the Confederates expect to be attacked?

A hot shot furnace was built inside the fort. How was hot shot be used to defend the fort?



Name the two famous ironclads that attacked Fort Huger.

How many casualties were at Fort Huger?



Find the information on the Columbiad. Was it smoothbore or rifled? How large were its cannonballs?

Find the information on the Dahlgren. Was it smoothbore or rifled? How heavy was the gun?



After the battle, the Confederate troops “spiked” the guns. What do you think this means?