

Guiding Questions: Clara Barton

- 1) What were Clara's greatest moments? When and where did they occur?**
- 2) What choices did Clara make that affected her and shaped who she became?**
- 3) What events in Clara's life changed and influenced her as a person?**
- 4) How did Clara Barton influence and impact Americans, especially women and the profession of nursing?**
- 5) How is what Clara Barton did still impacting the United States?**
- 6) What motivated Clara to do all she did?**
- 7) How did living in the 19th century influence what Clara did with herself as a human and her career?**

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The Answers**

- 1) - finding/identifying missing soldiers and POW's
 - being a nurse on the battlefield
 - being a humanitarian in Europe
 - founding the American Red Cross
 - being an educator
 - being the first woman to hold a permanent government position

- 2) - becoming David's nurse at age 11
 - moving to Washington D.C.
 - fighting with officials to get her way
 - going to Europe

- 3) - her father's death
 - nursing David
 - reading book and helping out in Switzerland

- 4) - opened profession of nursing up to women
 - founded organization that is still going
 - showed that it is good to care for and show compassion to soldiers and others in need

- 5) - the American Red Cross is still helping and providing
 - first aid kits have further developed and continue to bring aid quickly to people

- 6) - seeing the Red Cross active and helping people in Europe
 - reading Swedish book
 - her father's death
 - her own depression and self-doubt

- 7) - she battled being a woman during that time period and the custom things for a woman to do during that time
 - she battled the profession of nursing and the rights of women