Internet Scavenger Hunt

Directions: You are on a mission to learn more about the role of African-Americans in the Civil War. Use the websites listed below to find answers to the following questions.

1. What is known for certain about blacks fighting in the Civil War?
2. What questions remain about the role of blacks in the war? Why?
3. Why is there a controversy among historians on this issue?
4. What reasons might there be for inflating the role of blacks on both sides of the conflict?
5. What other interesting information on this topic can you find?
6. Can you find 2-3 photographs or images that tell a story about this time in history.

Websites

New York Times Disunion blog, “Teaching Civil War History 2.0”
http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2011/01/21/teaching-civil-war-history-2-0/


A People’s Contest, Penn State Richards Civil War Era Center blog, “What Will Become of the Black Confederate Controversy?”
http://www.psu.edu/dept/richardscenter/2011/05/whither-the-black-confederate-controversy.html

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/aaohtml/exhibit/aopart4.html

National Park Service Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System, “History of African-Americans in the Civil War”
http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/history/aa_history.htm

Civil War Memory – Black Confederate Resources
http://cwmemory.com/book/black-confederate-resources/