

Fort Anderson Post-Visit Questions

1. Fort Anderson was built on top of what colonial port?
2. Assess the impact of geography on the placement of the fortifications for the Cape Fear defenses.
3. Fort Caswell was a brick fort. What reasons made earthen forts better for defense?
4. What role did technology play in developing Fort Anderson and the Cape Fear defenses?
5. What role did technology play in developing the Union strategies to close the Cape Fear River and capture Wilmington?
6. What is a quarantine station and why was it important for the Cape Fear region?
7. Was President Abraham Lincoln aware of Fort Anderson, and if so, how do we know?
8. Did Fort Anderson have a role in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, and if so, what was it?
9. Did the capture of Fort Anderson and Wilmington have a direct effect on the end of the Civil War? Why?
10. Evaluate the military and economic importance of the Lower Cape Fear on North Carolina and the Confederacy during the Civil War.