Scavenger Hunt: Life and Limb: The Toll of the Civil War

Instructions: View Life and Limb (www.nlm.nih.gov/lifeandlimb/exhibition) using its website or printouts. Find answers to the following questions and note the exhibition headings under which you found the answers—e.g., XYZanswer (XYZ exhibition title/heading). You may work with a partner.

1. During what years did the Civil War occur?

2. What was the name of the organization created by the Federal Government in 1863 to employ disabled veterans for war-related work?

3. Puck was a British magazine noted for its satirical treatment of contemporary issues. How did it interpret the motives of disabled veterans in 1882?

4. How did new technology such as rifled muskets and the minie ball increase the risk and severity of injury?

5. Who or what, according to Confederate surgeon Julian John Chisolm, posed as a great a threat to soldiers as enemy gunfire?

6. What is the approximate number of patents for artificial limb designs were issued between 1861 and 1873?

7. What was the most common type of surgery performed on wounded soldiers?

8. Why was the name of the Invalid Corps changed to Veterans Reserve Corps?

9. Why did many disabled veterans decline to wear a prosthesis?

10. Summarize how the Life and Limb exhibition describes the experiences and treatment of wounded soldiers during the U.S. Civil War.