

The clean format rewards readers with immediate understanding

**Clarity** starts with the title: the color indicates the winner of the battle (Blue for Union; Red for Confederacy)

**Summary headlines** show opposing generals and army strengths; the consistent color scheme helps keep readers clear.

**Clear maps** show routes of march and dispositions of army forces; the color scheme makes it easy to follow

**"Why did the battle take place?"** is answered in the first panel

Subsequent panels highlight **step-by-step developments**

Text bullets **highlight phases** of the fighting

**Pictures** bring the immediacy of the fight to the reader