

**Bull Run Journal**

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Section 1- pages 1-14

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Allegiance

Reginment

Melancholy

1. Why does Colonel Brattle feel melancholy while watching shells being fired upon Fort Sumter?
2. Why do you think others “brought baskets of food to the rooftops and raised glasses in toast……?”
3. Figurative Language: A metaphor is a comparison between two things with the words “like” or “as.” A simile is a comparison using the words like or as. Find at least one example of each in the first section of the novel. Explain how the author used this figurative language to describe the scene or situation.

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