**PERSUASIVE WRITING PROMPT**

The year is 1862 and your brother has decided that he wants to join the Confederate army even though you will be headed off to help the Union army in just a few weeks. As a strong advocate for Northern principles, you strongly disagree with his decision and hope to persuade him against this choice.

What are some strong reasons you can give your brother to change his mind on this decision? What can convince him to join forces with you instead? Who/What inspired you to believe the way you do regarding the Civil War?

Write a letter to your brother and persuade him not to join the Confederate army. Be sure to give specific reasons for your request.

