

Drums were needed for communicating. Drums allowed a soldier to find his unit—even through cannon and gun smoke.

Single drumbeats meant end of the day.

Long roll meant march into combat.

Battle of the Bands

After sunset, the opposing sides' bands would take turn playing, competing with each other.

Orion Howe was a 14 year old drummer who kept playing even though he was wounded. He received a Medal of Honor.

Cut out information and paste to blank drums.
Two extra drums have been included in this file.

