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Dress Ideas for Girls

Sites to look at for ideas:

Photo album of Civil War Ball from Colorado Springs. Lots of good dress ideas:

https://picasaweb.google.com/cgaffphotos/CivilWarBall2012?authkey=Gv1sRgCNR31obK8_Llr_gE

Good resources for studying Civil War Era Gowns:

http://www.originals-by-kay.com/learn_about/edballgown.htm

This is the Promenade, a video on Youtube, from the Northern Colorado Civil War Ball. This is the group we are working with. Again, a lot of good dress ideas:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VBLxL2NyDL4>

Here is a good ebay search for ball gowns. If you can purchase a gown for under \$70 dollars, that is comparable to the cost of purchasing a pattern, fabric, and trimmings to sew your own dress:

http://www.ebay.com/sch/i.html?_trksid=p5197.m570.11313&_nkw=civil+war+gown+girl+12&_sacat=0&_from=R40

More dress photos for research:

<http://www.civilwarlady.net/photos.html>

Where to find dresses:

Local bridal shop that have dresses, hoops, and so forth, **try Loveland Wedding Shop on highway34:** <http://www.wewedwisely.com>

Ask neighbors and family members if they have any prom gowns lying around.

Try thrift shops, vintage shops, and second hand stores. Hoop skirts (wide slip that goes under the dress) can be found cheaply on line. A two – three hoop skirt will work just fine.

Wear It Again Sam vintage clothing store in Ft. Collins, has offered ½ price rentals to all young ladies from Loveland Classical Schools, ask for the discount.

Costume Castle in Windsor rents dresses on a donation basis. This is a great resource. Go early. Their phone number is 674-8712.