During the Civil War, women worked as spies. **A lot of women volunteered to serve as spies for both the Union and Confederate sides.** According to “Women Spies in the Civil War,” hundreds of women served as spies. **Women spies had to meet certain standards**. “The women had to be young, white, charming, attractive, and intelligent” (“Women Spies in the Civil War”). Women who were easily trusted made good spies because the men didn’t expect them to be involved with dangerous jobs (“Women Spies in the Civil War”). **Being a spy was a dangerous job.** “Women Spies in the Civil War” states women spies gathered information about enemy’s plans and smuggled good to the battlefield.