

AP Review – The Cold War to the Present

Harry S Truman (D: 1945 – 1952)

1. Foreign Policy
 - a. Cold War
 - a. Economy dependent upon exports – metals
 - a. wanted open trade & good relations
 - a. Communism Spreads
 - a. Truman Doctrine 1947
 - a. Marshall Plan
 - a. NATO 1949
 - a. Berlin Blockade
 - a. National Security Council – foreign advisors working for the president
 - a. CIA
 - a. Cultural Revolution
 - a. Red Scare
 - i. Alger Hiss
 - i. Joseph McCarthy
 - i. blacklists
1. Domestic Policy – The Fair Deal
 - a. 1946 – inflation at 20% (post war spending)
 - a. new conservatism
 - a. President’s Committee on Civil Rights
 - a. Taft-Hartley Act
 - i. prohibited “closed shops”
 - ii. Passed over Veto

Korean War (1950 – 1953)

1. NK invade SK
2. UN orders invasion won’t stand
3. Douglas McArthur
4. Chinese Involvement
5. 38th Parallel

Dwight D. Eisenhower (R: 1953 – 1960)

1. Dems held White House for 22 years
2. New Conservatism
3. Age of Conformity – Homogeneity
4. Suburbia
5. Rock & Roll, TV
6. Foreign Policy
 - a. John Foster Dulles – S of St.
 - i. Containment = liberation
 - ii. “massive retaliation” = deterrence
 - iii. brinkmanship – allow escalation to near war
 - iv. Domino Theory

- b. Nikita Khrushchev 1953
 - c. Soviets crush uprisings
 - d. H-Bomb
 - e. Sputnik
 - f. NASA
 - g. Gamal Nasser & Aswan Dam
 - h. Fidel Castro & Cuba
 - i. Military-Industrial Complex
7. Domestic Policy
- a. Balance Budget – 3 for 8
 - b. Cut fed spending
 - c. Ease regulation of big business
 - d. Interstate Highway System
 - e. Social Issues
 - i. Termination – end reservation system
 - ii. Civil Rights Movement
 - iii. Brown v. Board of Ed of Topeka 1954
 - 1. overturned “Separate but Equal”
 - 2. argued by Thurgood Marshall
 - 3. 9 – 0 decision
 - 4. “separate educational facilities are inherently unequal”
 - iv. Little Rock 1957
 - 1. Gov of AK called National Guard to prevent desegregation
 - 2. Ike acted one month later
 - 3. courts ordered Ike to enforce the law
 - 4. AK closed all public high schools in city for 2 years
 - v. Montgomery Bus Boycott
 - 1. Rosa Parks
 - 2. Jim Crow laws
 - 3. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
 - vi. Greensboro Sit-in

John F. Kennedy (1960 – 1963)

- 1. Defeated Richard Nixon (R: VP)
- 2. Domestic Policy – the New Frontier
 - a. Increase aid to elderly
 - b. Combat racism
 - c. Improve education
 - d. Assist farmers
 - e. Halt recession
- 3. Foreign Policy
 - a. Bay of Pigs 1961
 - b. Berlin Wall 1961
 - c. Missile Crisis 1962
 - d. Peace Corps – “nation building”
 - e. Vietnam – Special Forces

4. Assassinated - Nov. 22, 1963

Lyndon B. Johnson (D: 1963 – 1969)

1. Domestic Policy – The Great Society
 - a. Civil Rights Act of 1964
 - i. Outlawed discrimination based on race, color, religion & gender
 - ii. In employment & public facilities
 - b. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission – enforce Civil Rights Act
 - c. Voting Rights Act
 - d. Economic Opportunity Act - \$1 billion for poverty relief
 - e. War on Poverty
 - i. Project Head Start – prepare underprivileged for school
 - ii. Upward Bound – prepared underprivileged for high school
 - iii. Job Corps – train unskilled
 - iv. Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)
 - f. Dept. of HUD
 - g. Increased Tax revenues funded whole package – no new taxes
2. Supreme Court – the Warren Court
 - a. Chief Justice Earl Warren
 - b. Extremely liberal
 - c. Enforced voting rights
 - d. Forced redrawing of Congress districts
 - e. Prohibited School Prayer
 - f. Protected Rights to Privacy
 - g. *Gideon v. Wainwright* – free lawyer if cannot afford one
 - h. *Miranda v. Arizona* – must be advised of right to remain silent
3. Foreign Policy – the Vietnam War

The Civil Rights Movement

1. MLK
2. Malcolm X – Nation of Islam
3. CORE – Black Power
4. Apr. 4, 1968 – MLK Assassinated
5. New Left
 - a. Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) 1962
 - b. Free Speech Movement 1964
 - c. Male dominated
 - d. Eliminate: poverty, racism, & Cold War politics
6. *The Feminine Mystique* 1963
7. NOW 1966
8. Equal Rights Amendment
9. *Roe v. Wade* 1973
10. Counterculture

The Vietnam War (1950 – 1963)

1. French Colony of Indochina
2. Vietminh
 - a. Nationalist Vietnamese Movement
 - b. Ho Chi Minh
3. Truman sent aid & advisors
4. Ngo Dinh Diem – US backed leader
 - a. Vicious leader
 - b. SV turn against him – Vietcong
 - c. CIA assassinates him 1963
5. SEATO – US, UK, FR, Thailand, Pakistan, Philippines, NZ & Aussie
6. 1964 – began bombing Laos
7. 1964 – Gulf of Tonkin & Resolution
8. Americanization
9. Avoid draft
 - a. Ignored draft notices
 - b. Fled to Canada (>30,000)
10. Tet Offensive 1968
 - a. Vietnamese New Year
 - b. NK & Vietcong attack
 - c. Made gains & inflicted tremendous damage to US forces
 - d. Nearly captured US Embassy in Saigon
 - e. LBJ, advisors & Americans now believe war is lost cause
11. Nixon – Vietnamization, expansion & carpet bombing
12. Kent State 1970
13. Pentagon Papers 1971
14. Peace Accords 1973
15. War Powers Act 1973
16. Saigon Falls 1975

Richard M. Nixon (R: 1969 – 1974)

1. Defeated Hubert Humphry (D: VP) & George Wallace (Gov, AL)
2. Domestic Policy
 - a. Stagflation
 - b. Watergate
 - i. Plumbers – investigators
 - ii. Burglary of Dem Headquarters
 - iii. Cover-up
 - iv. Senate hearing 1973
 - v. Nixon Tapes – executive privilege
 - vi. Resignation & Pardon 1974
3. Foreign Policy
 - a. Détente
 - b. Nixon Doctrine
 - i. US withdraw troops from overseas commitments
 - ii. Rely on alliances to contain communism
 - c. China – 1972

Gerald Ford (R: 1974 – 1977)

1. Oil Embargo
2. OPEC
3. Increase fuel prices
4. Inflation
5. High Unemployment

Jimmy Carter (D: 1977 – 1981)

1. Domestic Policy
 - a. Stagflation
 - b. failed balancing budget
 - c. Created Dept. of Energy
 - d. Nuclear Power – 3 Mile Island
2. Foreign Policy
 - a. Camp David Accord 1978
 - b. Afghanistan
 - c. Nicaragua
 - d. Iran

Ronald Reagan (R: 1981 – 1989)

1. Stressed Good to be American
2. Domestic Policy
 - a. Supply Side Economics
 - b. 2 years of recession
 - c. inflations falls, Unemployment rises
 - d. New Federalism
 - e. Shift power to states
 - f. SDI
 - g. Budget deficits record highs
 - i. Tax cuts
 - ii. Military spending
 - iii. New Fed. failure
3. Foreign Policy
 - a. Cold War Hawk
 - b. Supported: El Salvador, Panama, Philippines, Mozambique
 - c. Grenada Invasion
 - d. Nicaragua – Sandinistas v. Contras
 - e. Iran – Contra Affair
 - i. Secret sales of weapons to Iran
 - ii. Used \$ to buy guns for Contras
 - iii. Denied Congress “power of the purse”
 - f. Lebanon – 240 marines killed
 - g. US – Soviet Relations
 - i. Escalation of Arms Race
 - ii. Mikhail Gorbachev
 - iii. Negotiated withdrawal of all warheads from Europe

George Bush (R: 1989 – 1993)

1. Defeated Michael Dukakis (Gov. MA)
2. Negative Campaign Ads
 - a. Willie Horton - crime
 - b. MA Bay – pollution
 - c. Fool – tank ad
3. Domestic Policy
 - a. Didn't seem to care
 - b. Conservative Agenda
 - c. Thousand Points of Light – Volunteerism
 - d. Tax Increase
 - e. Savings & Loan Bail-outs - \$300 billion
 - f. Recession of 1991 - 92
4. Foreign Policy
 - a. The Gulf War
 - i. Iraq invades Kuwait 1990
 - ii. Stop Hussein before he gets Saudi Arabia
 - iii. UN authorizes force
 - iv. Expelled from Kuwait in 2 months
 - b. USSR dissolves
 - i. Dec. 25, 1991
 - ii. Cold War ends
 - iii. Boris Yeltsin

Bill Clinton (D: 1993 – 2000)

1. “It's the economy, stupid”
2. H. Ross Perot
3. Domestic Policy
 - a. “Don't ask, don't tell”
 - b. Terrorism
 - c. Brady Bill
 - d. NAFTA
 - e. Largest Economic Growth
 - f. Scandals
 - i. Whitewater
 - ii. Travelgate
 - iii. Paula Jones
 - iv. Impeachment
 - g. Loss of House & Senate
 - h. Republican “Contract with America”
4. Foreign Policy
 - a. Somalia
 - b. Iraq
 - c. Yugoslavia
 - i. Bosnia
 - ii. Kosovo