

## 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. 38<sup>th</sup> 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