

## **UNIT TWELVE STUDY GUIDE**

### **Chapter 37: The Cold War Begins 1945-1952**

#### **1. Post war problems**

- a. Taft-Hartley Act**
- b. Employment Act**
- c. GI Bill of Rights**

#### **2. Key issues of postwar prosperity**

- a. Affluence**
- b. Long term effects**
- c. Reasons for prosperity**
  - 1. defense economy
  - 2. cheap energy
  - 3. productivity/education
  - 4. changes in economic structure

#### **3. Population shifts/Boom**

- a. Dr. Spock's baby book**
- b. Sunbelt growth - map page 863/**
- c. Suburban growth/"white flight" (see also 868-869)**

**d. “baby boom” and subsequent impact**

**4. Truman as president**

**5. Key decisions at the Yalta conference on Asia and Eastern Europe by the Big Three/outcome of these decisions**

**6. U.S.-Soviet tensions reemerge. Why?**

**7. Organizations founded for postwar recovery and stability**

**a. International Monetary Fund**

**b. World Bank**

**c. United Nations**

**8. Postwar Germany poses problems for East-West relations and leads to Berlin Airlift - map page 873**

**9. Truman/George Kennan develop the policy of containment**

**a. Truman Doctrine**

**b. Marshall Plan**

**c. Recognition of Israel**

**d. National Security Act and CIA**

**e. North Atlantic pact (NATO)**

**f. Nationalist China collapses**

**g. Atomic rivalry intensifies**

**10. Finding communists**

**a. Loyalty board**

**b. Smith act**

**c. House on Un-American activities and Richard Nixon**

**d. Joseph McCarthy**

**e. McCarran Internal Security Bill**

**f. Rosenbergs**

**11. Election of 1948**

**a. Candidates**

**b. Surprising results**

**c. Truman's programs**

1. "Point Four"

2. "Fair Deal"

**12. War in Korea provokes U.S. (U.N.) response/ containment**

**a. Causes**

**b. NSC-68**

c. "push em back" policy - map page 884

d. War Strategy: MacArthur and Truman

13. Historiography/Varying interpretations on the Cold War

## **Chapter 38**

### **Eisenhower Era 1952-1960**

1. Election of 1952

a. Candidates & Issues

b. Results

c. Assessment of Ike

d. "Checkers" speech/role of television

2. "Ike" as president

3. Joe McCarthy as a symbol: impact on government/artists/U.S. Army

4. Desegregation: Civil rights movement emerges

a. Segregation

b. Great African-American Migration

c. Role of "Warren" Court in desegregation

1. Sweatt vs. Painter

**2. Brown vs. Board of Education, 1954 (Note Resistance to ruling)**

**d. Role of Eisenhower in desegregation: Little Rock Central High School**

**e. Role of Congress in desegregation**

**f. Role of African-American organizations**

**1. NAACP/Montgomery Bus Boycott**

**1. Martin Luther King/Southern Christian Leadership Conference**

**2. Non-violence and Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee**

**4. "Republicanism" at home**

**a. Balancing budget/creeping socialism (examples)**

**b. impact on Mexican immigration/braceros**

**c. impact on Native Americans**

**d. Fate New Deal programs/Interstate Highway Act/peacetime deficit**

**5. Foreign policy under Eisenhower**

**a. "massive retaliation" (Dulles)**

**b. Aid to the French in Indochina; Geneva conference divides Vietnam**

**c. Hungarian revolt fails**

**d. Middle Eastern difficulties**

**1. Iran**

**2. Suez Crisis, OPEC created**

**3. "Eisenhower Doctrine"**

**6. Election of 1956**

**7. Landrum-Griffin act zeroes in on labor leaders**

**8. Soviets put Sputnik in orbit**

**a. Alleged "missile gap"**

**b. National Defense and Education Act**

**9. Paris summit collapses due to U-2 incident, 1960**

**10. Castro and the Cuban revolution leads to a defeat for the Monroe doctrine**

**11. Election of 1960**

**a. Candidates**

**b. Issues**

**c. Results**

**12. Evaluation of Eisenhower years**

**13. Growth of middle class and consumerism**

**a. Advertisers, music, movies, critics**

b. Writers/playwrights

## **Chapter 39**

### **Stormy Sixties: 1960-1968**

1. Kennedy and his "New Frontier"

a. Economy woes

b. Man on the moon project

2. Kennedy confronts Khrushchev in Vienna, 1961; Berlin wall constructed

3. Development of "flexible response" along with growing U.S. involvement in Vietnam - map page 921

4. Bay of Pigs fiasco pushes Castro into a stronger Soviet orbit

5. Cuban Missile Crisis demonstrates the dangers of confrontation

6. Nuclear test-ban treaty, 1963

7. Civil rights movement continues to gain strength

a. Reasons for Kennedy's reluctance/continued uneasy executive involvement

b. Freedom Riders

c. Birmingham demonstrations, 1963

d. Kennedy's June 11, 1963 speech

e. March on Washington, 1963

**8. Kennedy is assassinated**

**9. LBJ as president and JFK's unfinished legislative agenda**

**10. Election of 1964**

**a. Issues**

**b. Candidates**

**c. Results**

**11. LBJ's issues**

**a. Gulf of Tonkin and resulting resolution**

**b. Leads to the "Great Society" and "War on Poverty"**

1. Aid to education
2. Medicare, 1965
3. HUD
4. National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities
5. Head start
6. Department of transportation

**12. Civil rights movement gains further momentum**

**a. Civil Rights Act of 1964**

**b. 24th amendment**

**c. Voting Rights Act of 1965**

**d. Calls for "black power"**

1. Malcolm X

2. Stokely Carmichael

**e. Violence continues**

1. Race riots

2. King is assassinated, 1968 & Legacy

**13. U. S. Involvement in Vietnam accelerated under Johnson and leads to growing debate and protest at home: Reasons and impact**

**a. Tet offensive**

**b. Johnson "abdicates" due to growing unrest over the war**

**14. Convulsive election of 1968**

**a. Candidates**

**b. Issues**

**c. Results**

**15. Tragedy/Assessment of LBJ**

**16. 1960s as watershed decade**

**a. Two distinct eras**

**b. Attitudes against authority**

**c. Disaffection among youth**

d. Changes in attitudes about sex

17. The Three Ps

## **Chapter 40**

### **The Stalemated Seventies**

1. Stagnant economy and causes

2. "Vietnamization" of Vietnam War and Nixon doctrine

a. Resulting protests

3. Bitterness of Vietnam

a. Role of Cambodia - result Kent state

b. "hawks" and "doves"

c. 26th amendment

d. Pentagon papers

4. Kissinger/Nixon and China/USSR relations

a. Detente

b. SALT

5. Major court decisions in Warren court and their impact

**6. Nixon on the homefront**

**a. New federalism**

**b. EPA**

**c. Rachel Carson and *Silent Spring***

**d. Curbing inflation**

**e. "Southern strategy"**

**7. Nixon landslide in 1972**

**a. Candidates**

**b. Issues**

**c. Results**

**8. Bombing of Vietnam leads to end of war**

**9. Watergate scandals**

**10. War Powers Act**

**11. Problems in Middle East (Six Day War)**

**a. Oil embargo and resulting energy crisis**

**12. Impeachment inquiry and resignation**

**13. Assessment of Ford**

**14. End of Vietnam**

**15. The feminist movement (also pp. 968-969)**

**a. Title IX**

**b. Court Decisions**

**c. Defeat of ERA**

**d. Role of NOW vs. WITCH**

**16. More racial issues**

**a. "Busing"**

**b. Affirmative Action**

**c. Native American Activists/Political Power**

**17. Election of 1976**

**a. Candidates (role of Carter as outsider)**

**b. Issues/Outcome**

**18. Carter's Policies**

**a. Domestic**

**b. Humanitarian Foreign Policy**

**c. Economic and Energy Woes**

d. Iranian Hostage Crisis

e. SALT II Treaty/USSR invasion of Afghanistan/boycott of Olympic games

## **Chapter 41 Resurgence of Conservatism 1980-2000**

### **1. 1980 Election**

a. Candidates (note Reagan's use of "outsider/populist philosophy")

b. Issues

c. Results

### **2. "Reagan Revolution" anti-government message**

a. tax cuts/cuts in programs

b. trickle-down or "supply side" economics/Reaganomics & impact

c. military expenditures

### **3. Reagan's Foreign Policy**

a. USSR

b. Middle East: Israel, Lebanon (map 983)

c. Central America: Nicaragua, El Salvador, Grenada (map 983)

### **4. 1984 Election: Candidates/Issues/Results**

### **5. Continuing Foreign Policy concerns**

**a. USSR**

**b. Philippines, Libya**

**c. Iran-Contra Affair & Effects**

**6. Reagan's Economic Legacy (also note Debt graph, p. 986)**

**7. Rise of "Religious Right" as a political force**

**8. Conservative turn on the Supreme Court (note important cases)**

**9. Election of 1988**

**a. Candidates**

**b. Issues/Results**

**10. George Herbert Walker Bush, Sr.**

**a. End of the Cold War**

**b. Persian Gulf Crisis/"Operation Desert Storm"**

**c. Bush's domestic policies**

1. ADA

2. Water Projects bill

3. Affirmative Action/Abortion

4. Rising "gender gap"

5. economy/1990 Tax and Budget package

**11. Election of 1988**

a. Candidates/Issues (note role of 3<sup>rd</sup> party candidate)

b. Results

**12. Bill Clinton**

a. Difficulties with domestic agenda

b. Successes

c. Oklahoma City Bombing

**13. Challenges to Bill Clinton**

a. 1994 and “Contract with America”/Impact

b. 1996 Election:

1. Candidates/Issues

2. Results

**14. Clinton’s Economic and Domestic Issues**

a. Free Trade

b. Gun control

c. “Big Tobacco”

**15. Foreign Policy Issues: Somalia, China, Bosnia, Middle East**

**16. Scandal and Impeachment & Clinton's Legacy/Assessment**

**17. Election of 2000**

**a. Candidates/Issues (note third party)**

**b. Results: Electoral votes and "hanging chads"**

## **Chapter 42: The People Facing the 21st Century**

**1. Consumerism, plurality, and burdens of the past**

**2. Major changes in economic structure and social/moral consequences of science**

**3. Economic inequality and causes**

**4. Epochal changes for women**

**a. Distribution of working women (chart page 1019) and "gender gap"**

**b. impact on families**

**c. Government involvement**

**5. Changing family**

**a. Traditional families falling apart**

**b. Living longer**

**6. Who is coming to America? (Chart 1024) Social Effects**

**a. Hispanic Americans (also pp. 1026-1027)**

**7. Changing cities**

**8. Continuing issues for Black Americans**

**9. Intellectual America**

**a. Literature**

**b. "margin" authors**

**c. Poetry, playwrights, pictures, buildings**

**10. Age of Terrorism and Whither thou goest America?**