

US History 2
Study Guide – Good Morning Vietnam

Whuzzat?

Can you (a) explain what each of the following terms refer to, and also (b) what their importance or significance is to United States history, especially during the late 1940s and 1950s?

Agent Orange	Algerian Revolution	Counter Culture
Draft (Selective Service)	Flower Power	Helicopter
Kent State Massacre	October Surprise	POW
PTSD	Self-Immolate (Burn Alive)	Special Forces
Tunnel Rat	Vietnamization	War Powers Act

Whodey?

Can you (a) briefly describe why the following people were significant in US history, and (b) how they were attempting to influence the United States during the Vietnam War?

Hippies	Ho Chi Minh	LBJ	Viet Cong
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Whoizat?

Can you (a) briefly explain what each of the battles on the left are, (b) how they were important and/or significant in US History, and (c) how they connect to one of the concepts on the right?

Dien Bien Phu (1954)	Americans wipe out an entire village
Fall of Saigon (1975)	Excuse for LBJ to start a war
Gulf of Tonkin (1964)	French surrender to Vietnam
My Lai Massacre (1968)	Massive evacuation of US allies
Operation Menu (1969)	Proves to US that they cannot win
Tet Offensive (1968)	Secret bombing of Cambodia

Can you explain?

- (A) What happened to the old European (colonial) empires in the years after WW2? Explain at least two (2) different outcomes.
- (B) What did the Vietnamese people want, and how was the USA involved? Explain how the US both supported and interfered with that goal!
- (C) Why did the Vietnam War grow increasingly unpopular the longer it lasted? Explain at least two (2) different reasons.
- (D) How did the Vietnam War impact the Civil Rights Movement in the United States? How did it impact American culture and society?
- (E) How did young Americans oppose the draft, and oppose the Vietnam War?
- (F) How well did President Nixon fulfill his promise to end the Vietnam War “with honor”? Explain