Spring Final Review: 1930s – 2000s

**Great Depression**

1. What event triggered the Great Depression?
2. What was the “run on the banks”? How did they causes problems?
3. Besides the above events, what were 2 long term causes of the Depression?
4. What did President Hoover do to fix the Depression? Name one positive thing.
5. Who was the Bonus Army? What did they want? Did they get it?
6. Describe the Dust Bowl and the problems it caused.
7. What was FDR’s New Deal? Describe 3 of his programs.
8. What was FDR’s Court Packing Scheme? How did that work out for him?
9. How did FDR change the government’s role in the economy?

**World War II**

1. Describe US policy of isolationism in the 1930s. Why did Americans pursue this policy? Give 2 reasons. Include: Name for US laws restricting sales of weapons, Cash and Carry, and Lend Lease.
2. What event brings the USA into WW2? When did it occur? Why did it occur?
3. Describe Japanese internment. How did it begin? What was the justification? What were the living conditions? Describe Fred Korematsu’s case against the U.S. and the result of it.
4. Describe the impact of the war on women in the U.S. Describe their role both in the military and in the workplace.
5. Describe the impact of the war on African Americans. Include how it affected African American workers at home.
6. What is rationing?
7. Describe the strategy behind “island hopping” including where the US started in the Pacific and where they ended.
8. Describe the Holocaust. Include the terms: Nuremberg Laws and Hitler’s “Final Solution.”
9. Describe the use of the atomic bomb. Who used it – on who? Why was it used? What was the result?
10. What were the Nuremberg Trials and why were they significant?
11. What were the major problems and solutions presented at the Yalta Conference?
12. Be able to describe the major battles (ones listed in terms) and their significance.

**Cold War / 1950s**

1. What was the Truman Doctrine? Did it successfully stop the spread of communism?
2. What was the Marshall Plan? Did it successfully stop the spread of communism?
3. What was the goal of the UN? NATO?
4. How did the Korean War begin? Who wins?
5. Describe the Arms Race. Who wins?
6. Describe the Space Race. Who wins?
7. How did the following reflect and/or contribute to the Red Scare of the 1950s: House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) and Senator Joseph McCarthy?
8. Describe 3 elements of 1950s pop culture.
9. Describe how Plessy vs. Ferguson allowed for legal (de jure) segregation. How did Brown vs. the Board of Education change that?
10. Describe the Montgomery Bus Boycott?
11. Describe what the Little Rock 9 went through to integrate schools.
12. Describe the Cuban Missile Crisis. How did it start and end?
13. List 2 American victories in the Cold War and 2 losses.

**1960s**

1. What was LBJ’s Great Society? Name 3 programs he creates. Was it successful? Explain.
2. How did the sit-ins, March on Washington, Freedom Summer, and Selma to Montgomery March contribute to the Civil Rights Movement?
3. Describe the Civil Rights Act and Voting Rights Act? How did these change the US?
4. How did the 24th and the 26th amendments change voting rights?
5. How did the Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta improve rights for farm workers?
6. How did the Feminine Mystique challenge the norms of the 1950s?
7. What was the Equal Rights Amendment? Did it pass?
8. How was Vietnam changed after they defeated the French? Why did elections never occur?
9. How did the domino theory play a role in the US involvement in Vietnam?
10. Describe the Gulf of Tonkin Incident and how it leads to the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution.
11. Why doesn’t the US win in Vietnam?
12. Describe the protests surrounding the Vietnam War.
13. How does Nixon change the US involvement in the war? How does the war end?
14. What do the Pentagon Papers tell Americans?
15. Describe the Watergate scandal. Include the concept of executive privilege.

**1970s and Beyond**

1. Why did Gerald Ford pardon Nixon?
2. What is stagflation? Why did it occur and why is it so difficult to fix?
3. What was détente? How did that help lead to SALT I?
4. How did the US react to the USSR invasion of Afghanistan?
5. How did the Iranian Revolution affect the US? Describe the Iran Hostage Crisis.
6. What is Reaganomics? Did it work?
7. Why was Bill Clinton able to create a budget surplus?
8. What was SDI (aka Star Wars)? How did that contribute to the collapse of the USSR?
9. How does the Cold War end? Who wins?
10. What started the Persian Gulf War? How does it end?
11. What started the War in Afghanistan? How does it end?
12. What started the War in Iraq? How does it end?
13. What happened on 9/11?
14. What is the Patriot Act? Does it help catch terrorists or violate our rights?

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| What event begins the Great Depression | Which president had a New Deal for the American people | What event brings the US into WW2 | People in this country held Americans captive for 444 days |
| JFK tried to overthrow Castro in this event (it failed!) | This gave 18-21 year olds the right to vote | This event officially begins the Vietnam War | SALT was |
| Who did Rosie the Riveter represent | Which group of people was sent to internment camps in WW2 | The king of rock’n’roll | This law ended segregation |
| An explosion in the number of babies in the 1950s is called the | This policy was designed to keep communism from spreading | The US gave $$$ to any European country who wanted it after WW2 | Who wins the Cold War? |
| This court case ended segregation in schools | Executive privilege is | What were hoovervilles | Who had a vision for a Great Society? |