

C. 14 How and Why? Choose 2 and answer in a short answer (2 paragraphs)

1. Explain the reasons why the *search and destroy* strategy failed in the Vietnam War.
2. What aspects of the military draft fragmented the American public along class lines?
3. What changes did mainstream feminism hope to make in the 1960s? Was this movement successful? Why or why not?
4. What aspects of the 1960s and 1970s revealed the existence of a “generation gap”?
5. What environmental reforms were passed during the Nixon presidency?
6. What causes and events illustrate that 1968 was the most violent year, on the domestic political front, in American history?
7. Discuss the roots and development of “participatory democracy” in the 1960s. What influence would grass-roots democracy have on later American history?
8. What political errors were made regarding American involvement in that Vietnam War? What circumstances led policy-makers to eventually believe that the war could not be won?
9. Analyze the dynamics of the election of 1968. What events, strategies, and factors resulted in Richard Nixon’s narrow triumph over Hubert Humphrey?
10. Discuss the connections between the antiwar movement, hippies, the counterculture, and the Black Power movement. What were the successes and failures of the New Left?

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United States History
Chapter 14 Review Questions

1. Why did the United States fail in Vietnam? What factors limited President Johnson's freedom of action there?
2. How did racial relations change between 1965 and 1970?
3. Why was 1968 a pivotal year for American politics and society?
4. What were the implications of détente? How and why did U.S. influence over the rest of the world change during the 1970s?
5. How did the backgrounds of President Johnson, Nixon, and Carter shape their successes and failures as national leaders?
6. Why was the "space race" important for the United States?

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United States History
Chapter 14 Key Topic Questions

1. How did the national consensus of the 1950s and early 1960s unravel?
2. What challenges did American cities face in the late 1960s and 1970s?
3. Why did America's view of the war in Vietnam change in 1968?
4. What was the legacy of Richard Nixon's presidency?
5. How was Jimmy Carter's idealism a frustration to his success as president?