

America and the Vietnam War: A Guided Tutorial

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1. What is a **Proxy War**? _____
2. The **Viet Minh** were led by _____ who wanted an independent, united, _____ Vietnam.
3. What two countries supported the **Viet Minh**? _____ & _____
4. How did the US use "**dollar diplomacy**" to slow the spread of Communism? _____
5. What key battle did the French lose during the **First Indochina War**? Who won the war? _____
6. According to the **Geneva Accords** where was Vietnam divided? _____
7. What was supposed to happen in 1956 that would reunite the country? _____
8. Explain the "**domino theory**": _____
9. How did the US begin its involvement in 1955? _____
10. Why did the US send Special Forces to Vietnam in 1961? _____
11. What happened to **Kennedy** in Nov 1963? Who became the new President? _____
12. What did the **Gulf of Tonkin Resolution** give the President? _____
13. What did the declassified documents about the **Gulf of Tonkin** incident state? _____
14. What was the name given to the 1st sustained assault of North Vietnam from 1965-1968? _____
15. By the end of 1967 _____ US troops were in Vietnam, and _____ had been killed.
16. What major assault began on Jan. 31, 1968 by the **Vietcong**? How many Communist soldiers were used? _____
17. What was the poison the US dumped on the jungles of Vietnam? _____
18. List five ways that Vietnam was an "**invisible war**"? _____
19. Why was the **draft** process scrutinized? _____
20. Who won the Presidency in 1968? _____
21. Using a "**_____**", **Nixon** promised to bring "**_____**" to Vietnam?
22. What was **Vietnamization**? _____
23. Describe what happened at the Nov. 1969 **My Lai Massacre**? _____
24. What event spurred the protests at **Kent State**? What happened as a result of the Government's response? _____
25. What agreement was signed in Jan. 1973 to end the war and restore peace? _____
26. What happened on April 30, 1975? What was the city renamed? _____
27. How many **Cambodians** died during the **genocide** in 1975? _____
28. _____ Americans were killed or missing; _____ were wounded during the **Vietnam War**.
29. How much did the **Vietnam War** cost American taxpayers? _____
30. In Vietnam, _____ civilians were killed and _____ Vietnamese soldiers died.
31. Explain the "**credibility gap**" that existed because of the Vietnam War: _____