


1  **Vietnam to Present**

American History Honors  
Mr. Broach  
(covered briefly)

2  **Richard M. Nixon (37<sup>th</sup> President)**

- ⊙ Role in Vietnam
- ⊙ Visit to China 1972
- ⊙ Detente
- ⊙ War Powers Act
- ⊙ Oil Crisis
- ⊙ Watergate
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3  **Gerald Ford (38<sup>th</sup> President)**

- ⊙ Post-Watergate
- ⊙ Pardoning of Nixon
- ⊙ Fall of Vietnam

During this time...

- ⊙ Computer industry

4  **James "Jimmy" Carter  
(39<sup>th</sup> President)**

- ⊙ New style for the White House
- ⊙ Man of the people?
- ⊙ SALT II
- ⊙ Camp David 1978
- ⊙ Iranian Revolution of 1979 / Hostage Crisis

5  **Reagan's 1980 Victory**

- ⊙ New Right conservatism
- ⊙ Easy defeat of Jimmy Carter
- ⊙ Hostages freed on inauguration day, 1981

6  **The Gipper's White House**

- ⊙ Neo-Conservatives
- ⊙ Reaganomics: Supply-side economics
- ⊙ Deregulation
- ⊙ 1981 assassination attempt


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8  **Reagan and Foreign Policy**









- ⊙ Renewed arms race
- ⊙ SDI: Strategic Defense Initiative – criticized as "Star Wars" by the media
- ⊙ 1982 – Beirut, Lebanon
- ⊙ 1983 – Soviets shot down S. Korean airliner
- ⊙ Soviets boycotted the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles
- ⊙ Reagan Doctrine

9  **RWR to Latin America**

- ⊙ "Sandinistas" in Nicaragua
- ⊙ Advisors to El Salvador
- ⊙ CIA help to "contras" rebels in Nicaragua
- ⊙ USMC to Grenada (1983)











10  **1984 Election**

11  **Mikhail Gorbachev  
Gorbie and Ronnie!**

- ◎ Openness and Reform: *glasnost* and *perestroika*
  - ◎ 1986: Reykjavik, Iceland
  - ◎ 1988: INF Treaty
  - ◎ Leads to eventual fall...
  - ◎ Berlin Wall falls 1989
- 12  **Legacy of the Reagan Years**
  - ◎ Iran-Contra
  - ◎ End of the Cold War
  - ◎ Economics, weakening of the welfare state
  - ◎ Conservatism in America
    - Chief Justice William Rehnquist and appointment of Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor
    - "Religious Right"?
- 13  **1988 Election**
  - <sup>i</sup> ◎ Decisive victory for G. Bush/D. Quayle over Mike Dukakis
  - ◎ Democrats win both House & Senate
- 14  **End of the Cold War**
  - ◎ Tiananmen Square
  - ◎ Communism withers away in E. Europe
  - ◎ 1989 – fall of Berlin Wall
  - ◎ Breakup of the USSR
  - ◎ Effects (982)
- 15  **Persian Gulf War**
  - ◎ Campaign to roll back the invasion of Kuwait
  - ◎ Operation Desert Thunder to Operation Desert Storm (100 day ground war)
  - ◎ Kuwait liberated; US went no further
  - ◎ 90% approval rating for Bush
- 16  **Bush Administration at Home**
  - ◎ Clarence Thomas replaced Thurgood Marshall
  - ◎ Taxes and economy
  - ◎ ADA, 1990
  - ◎ "Read My Lips" becomes a big problem...
- 17  **1992 Election**
  - ◎ Anti-incumbent mood
  - ◎ "It's the economy, stupid!"
  - ◎ Clinton: first baby-boomer
  - ◎ H. Ross Perot?
  - ◎ 370-168 Electoral
- 18  **The Clinton Years**
  - ◎ Period of Scandals:
    - Jennifer Flowers
    - Whitewater real estate
    - Monica Lewinsky, et al.
  - ◎ NAFTA
  - ◎ Health care reform fails, Hillary style!
  - ◎ Somalia ('93); Kosovo ('99)
- 19  **Social Issues and Domestic / National Security**
  - ◎ Branch Dividians, 1993 – Waco, Texas
  - ◎ Oklahoma City Bombing, 1995
  - ◎ Columbine High School, 1999

Growth of Terrorism:

1993 World Trade Center, 1998 African Embassy Bombings, USS Cole (2000)

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- 20  **Republicans in the House!**  
**1994 Midterm Elections**
  - ⊙ 1<sup>st</sup> time in 40 years, gained control of both houses
  - ⊙ "Contract with America"
  - ⊙ Newt Gingrich
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  - ⊙ 1996 Election:  
Clinton vs. Dole
- 21  **Scandals to Haunt**
  - ⊙ Paula Jones, then Monica Lewinsky
  - ⊙ Dec. 1998: Clinton Impeached (only 2 Presidents), not removed by Senate
- 22  **Election of 2000**
  - ⊙ Tight election Gore v. Bush
  - ⊙ Florida voting!
  - ⊙ Recount and hanging, dimpled, pregnant, you-name-em CHADS!
  - ⊙ Supreme Court ends recount
  - ⊙ George W. Bush, President
  - ⊙ Educate the public on the Electoral College
- 23  **2000 Election pictures**
- 24  **September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001**
- 25  **War on Terror**
  - ⊙ Bush Doctrine: harboring of terrorists
  - ⊙ Afghanistan and the Taliban
  - ⊙ Iraq, Saddam Hussein (Baath Party)
  - ⊙ Axis of Evil: Iran, Iraq, North Korea
  - ⊙ Homeland Security
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- 27  **Election of 2004**
  - ⊙ War in Iraq; Tax cuts; economy
- 28  **2005-2009**
  - Free elections in Iraq**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Bush Administration begins**
  - Terrorist Attacks in London**
  - Hurricane Katrina**
  - Change in Power – 2006 Election**
  - Virginia Tech, April 2007**
  - Scandals!!! (no foot tapping!)**
  - Election of 2008**
  - Recession**
  - What am I missing?**
- 29  **It has been a pleasure to serve you this year!**  
*Have a happy and safe summer...*  
*Good luck as Seniors ☺*