

## APUSH History Timeline

### 1961-2004

- 1961      Berlin crisis and construction of Berlin Wall  
            Alliance for Progress  
            Bay of Pigs  
            Kennedy sends "military advisors" to Vietnam
- 1962      Trade Expansion Act  
            Cuban Missile Crisis
- 1963      Anti-Diem coup in South Vietnam  
            Civil rights march in Washington, D.C.  
            Kennedy assassinated; Johnson assumes presidency
- 1964      24<sup>th</sup> Amendment - abolishes poll taxes in federal elections  
            "Freedom Summer" voter registration in the South  
            Tonkin Gulf Resolution  
            Johnson defeats Goldwater for presidency  
            War on Poverty begins  
            Civil Rights Act
- 1965      Great Society legislation  
            Voting Rights Act  
            U.S. troops occupy Dominican Republic
- 1965-66    Race riots in U.S. cities  
            Escalation of the Vietnam War
- 1967      Six-Day War between Israel and Egypt
- 1968      Tet offensive in Vietnam

- Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert Kennedy assassinated
- Nixon defeats Humphrey and Wallace for presidency
- 1969 Astronauts land on the moon
- 1970 Nixon orders invasion of Cambodia
- Kent State and Jackson State incidents
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) created
- Clean Air Act
- 1971 Pentagon Papers published
- 26<sup>th</sup> Amendment - lowers voting age to 18
- 1972 Nixon visits China and Soviet Union
- ABM and SALT I treaties ratified
- Nixon defeats McGovern for presidency
- Equal Rights Amendment passes Congress
- Title IX of Education Amendments passed
- 1973 Vietnam cease-fire and U.S. withdrawal
- Agnew resigns; Ford appointed V.P.
- War Power Act
- Arab-Israeli war and Arab oil embargo
- Endangered Species Act
- Roe v. Wade*
- 1973-74 Watergate hearings and investigations
- 1974 Nixon resigns; Ford assumes presidency
- First OPEC oil-price increase
- International Energy Agency formed

- 1975 Helsinki Accords  
South Vietnam falls to communists
- 1976 Carter defeats Ford for presidency
- 1978 Egyptian-Israeli Camp David agreement  
*United States v. Wheeler*
- 1979 Iranian revolution and oil crisis  
SALT II agreements signed (never ratified by Senate)  
Soviet Union invades Afghanistan
- 1979-81 Iranian hostage crisis
- 1980 Reagan defeats Carter for presidency
- 1981 Iran releases American hostages  
O'Connor appointed to Supreme Court
- 1983 Reagan announces SDI plan (Star Wars)
- 1984 Reagan defeats Mondale for presidency
- 1985 Gorbachev comes to power in Soviet Union
- 1986 Iran-Contra scandal revealed
- 1987 U.S. naval escorts begin in Persian Gulf
- 1988 Bush defeats Dukakis for the presidency
- 1989 Eastern Europe throws off communist regimes
- 1990 Iraq invades Kuwait  
East and West Germany reunite
- 1991 Persian Gulf War  
Soviet Union dissolves; republics form Commonwealth of Independent States

- 1992 Clinton defeats Bush and Perot for presidency
- 1993 NAFTA signed
- 1994 Republicans win majorities in both houses of Congress
- 1996 Clinton defeats Dole for presidency
- 1998 Clinton-Lewinsky scandal
- U.S. and Britain launch military strikes against Iraq
- House of Representatives impeaches Clinton
- 1999 Senate acquits Clinton on impeachment charges
- Kosovo crisis; NATO warfare with Serbia
- 2000 George W. Bush wins presidency in Electoral College; Gore takes popular vote
- 2001 9/11 Terrorist attacks on the United States
- 2004 Bush defeats Kerry for presidency