

## The Age of Intransparency: the Election of 1968 to the 2000s

**Note: I am modifying the bottom part to show the beginning of trends that you still live with now, rather than specific events of history.**

Show website resources – chronologies with footnotes and the snapshots

### All - Snapshot 1950s to 1970s, 1980s to about 2008

1. 1968 Republican R. M. Nixon
  - Foreign policy – Major regions
    - Soviet Union: SALT talks
    - Far-East: China, Vietnamization/Cambodia
    - Latin America: Chile - Salvatore Allende
  - Folder Name/Video Name: “The Vietnam Dilemma”/“Peace... with Honor?” (5:53) – Events and consequences through the fall of Saigon in mid-1970s*
  - Domestic: The new Nixon - EPA
2. 1972 Republican R. M. Nixon (Vice President – Spiro Agnew; then Gerald Ford)
  - Both: Pentagon Papers
  - Domestic: Watergate *Folder Name/Video Name: “The Decline of Liberalism”/“The Imperial Presidency”*
  - Foreign Policy - Mid-East: 1973 Yom Kippur War (See map in course) and domestic ripple (OPEC)
3. 1976-1980 Democrat Jimmy Carter; 1980-1988 Republican Ronald Reagan; and 1988-1992 Republican George H.W. Bush, 1992-2000 Democrat Bill Clinton; and 2000-2008 Republican George W. Bush
  - Foreign and domestic highlights
    - Carter - Israel/Egypt (Camp David); Iran (Ayatollah Khomeini)
      - Domestic: “stagnation”
    - Reagan – Star Wars, Berlin Wall, fall of Soviet Union, Iran/Contras
      - Domestic: Social Security, rising debt and unemployment
    - George H.W. Bush – 1<sup>st</sup> Gulf War (See map in class), China: Tiananmen Square
      - Domestic: Savings and Loan crisis (Starts before his term.)
  - Folder Name/Video Name: “Conservative Resurgence”/“The Reagan Revolution” – applies to all of the above*
    - Clinton – Bosnia (Starts before his term.), Serbia, Somalia
      - Domestic: Welfare reform
    - George W. Bush – 9/11, Homeland Security, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gulf War
      - Domestic: Homeland Security, attempted change to Social Security