

High Tunstall College of Science Curriculum Intent

Subject: History Year: 11 Half term: 5/6



Topic: The USA—Reactions to and the end of US Involvement in Vietnam 1964-75

GCSE History	Progress		
Key ideas	R	A	G
I can explain the opposition to the war			
I can explain support for the war			
I can describe the peace process			
I can describe the end of the war			
I can explain the reasons for the US failure in Vietnam			

Lesson	Learning Focus	Assessment	Key Words
1	What were the reasons for the growth of opposition, including the student movement, TV and media coverage of the war and the draft system?	ILO: P.121 How useful sources opposition to the war 8 marks	Opinion poll, counter demonstration, counter culture, democratic society, communists, the draft
2	How did the public reaction to the My Lai Massacre, 1968, the trial of Lt. Calley and the Kent State University shootings, 1970?	Formative questioning and green pen	Anti-war activists, conscientious objectors, the living room war, massacre, trial, testimony, riot
3	What were the reasons for supporting for the war, including the fear of communism?	ILO: P.123 One Reason Interpretations Media's relationship 4 marks	Red Scare, hawks, pro-war, flashpoints
4	Who were the 'hard hats' and the 'silent majority' and views did they hold?	Summative test	Anti-war, patriotism, popular approval, campaign, resolutions, honourable peace
5	What were the reasons for, and features of, the peace negotiations, 1972-73?	Class discussion and feedback Regular recall activities	'doves', anti-war sentiments, negotiations
6	What was the significance of the Paris Peace Agreement 1973? What were the economic and human costs of the war for the USA?	ILO: P.140 Explain US and NV attitudes to peace 12 marks	Ceasefire, accords, ARVN, negotiation, interference, international supervision
7	What were the strengths of North Vietnam, including the significance of Russian and Chinese support, Vietcong tactics and the Ho Chi Minh Trail and what were the weaknesses of the US armed forces? Why did the US tactics fail?	Class discussion and feedback Regular recall activities	Psychological, post traumatic shock, unified, geographical, cultural, guerrilla tactics
8	What was the impact of opposition to the war in the USA?	Formative questioning and green pen	Veterans, human cost, disgrace