

Directions: By yourself or with a partner you will create a 750 word informative essay that explains in detail one of the following six topics. In addition to the written essay you must include at least three relevant photos, maps if applicable and a political cartoon with your essay. You must explain the relevance of each of the items you include to your topic. If you choose the music option you must include the lyrics to at least three songs and explain their relevance in understanding your topic.

<p>Topic 1: The JFK Administration at home and the assassination of JFK</p>	<p>Topic 2: The JFK Administration Foreign Policy. The Bay of Pigs and the Cuban Missile Crisis</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The election of 1960. 2. The Nixon Kennedy Debates 3. PT 109 war hero 4. The New Frontier 5. The Peace Corps 6. The JFK assassination. Who killed Kennedy? 7. The Warren Commission Report 8. Lee Harvey Oswald 9. Jack Ruby 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fidel Castro and the history of U.S. involvement in Cuba 2. The Bay of Pigs invasion. 3. The Berlin Wall 4. The Cuban Missile Crisis 5. Nikita Khrushchev
<p>Topic 3: The Vietnam War in Southeast Asia</p>	<p>Topic 4: The Vietnam War at Home.</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The history of Vietnam’s fight for independence from France. 2. Ho Chi Minh 3. Điện Biên Phủ 4. The Geneva Accords 5. North and South Vietnam 6. The National Liberation Front (Vietcong) 7. The Domino Theory 8. Robert McNamara 9. The Gulf of Tonkin incident 10. Agent Orange 11. Nixon in Vietnam (escalation) 12. Peace with honor (the Paris Peace Accords) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Generation gap. 2. College students protest the war. 3. The Counterculture revolution (hippies) 4. The draft and the opposition to the draft. 5. Draft deferments and the lottery 6. LBJ and the loss of support for himself and the war. (Walter Cronkite “To say that we are mired in stalemate seems the only realistic, yet unsatisfactory, conclusion. On the off chance that military and political analysts are right, in the next few months we must test the enemy's intentions, in case this is indeed his last big gasp before negotiations. But it is increasingly clear to this reporter that the only rational way out then will be to negotiate, not as victors, but as an honorable people who lived up to their pledge to defend democracy, and did the best they could. “ 7. The Tet Offensive 8. 1968 (use pages 879-882 in the American Journey as you guidelines) Include the election of 1968.
<p>Topic 5: The Music of the 1960s</p>	<p>Topic 6: The Space Race</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use the following website as a guideline for the music of the 1960s. http://faculty.smu.edu/dsimon/change-music%2060s.html 2. Include all the different genres of music. 3. Detail how music played a key role in the counterculture movement and the antiwar movement. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sputnik 2. Explorer I 3. Yuri Gargarin 4. Alan Shepard and the Mercury 9 5. JFK’s Speech “...we choose to go to the moon...” 6. The Mercury project 7. The Gemini project 8. Apollo I 9. Apollo XI “The eagle has landed...” 10. Neil Armstrong