

The decade after WWII saw Communism spread to the Far East, eventually dividing Korea and Vietnam. This depth study focuses on the causes and events of the Cold War in Asia and seeks to show how and why conflict occurred and why it proved difficult to resolve the tensions which arose.

Conflict in Korea – Context and causes of the war	Conflict in Korea – Development of the war	Conflict in Vietnam – Context and causes of the war
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Context of the Korean War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● division of Korea, 38th Parallel ● Truman Doctrine, containment, Domino Theory ● NSC 68 – American National Security Council report, 'Rolling back' Communism ● Nationalism in Korea, Kim Il Sung, Syngman Rhee? ● US relations with China, Chinese Revolution 1949, Mao Zedong ● Causes of the war <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Why did North Korea invade South Korea? ● US and UN response ● Why did the USSR boycott the UN Security Council in January 1950? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● UN campaign <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● campaign in South Korea, 'Pusan Pocket', Inchon landings ● UN forces advance into North Korea, role of General MacArthur ● Reaction of China, Chinese 'People's Volunteers' ● Truman and the sacking of MacArthur ● End of the war <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● military stalemate ● impact of Korean War on Korea ● impact on UN ● impact on Sino–American (Chinese–American) relations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● End of French colonial rule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● French Indo-China, Vietminh, Ho Chi Minh, Dien Bien Phu ● consequences of French defeat ● Geneva Agreement, 1954 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● division of Vietnam, 17th Parallel ● 1956 Election, unpopularity of Ngo Dinh Diem, Buddhist Crisis ● Civil war in South Vietnam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NLF/Vietcong (VC), aims of the VC ● US reaction to the civil war 1953–63 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● intervention under Eisenhower ● intervention under Kennedy ● advisers, Strategic Hamlets programme

Conflict in Vietnam – President Johnson's War	Conflict in Vietnam – Protest movements in the USA	Conflict in Vietnam – US actions to end the war
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gulf of Tonkin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gulf of Tonkin incident, USS Maddox • Gulf of Tonkin resolution • Vietcong tactics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • guerrilla warfare • 'Hit and run', 'Hanging onto the belts' • booby traps, tunnel system • Ho Chi Minh trail, Vietcong code of conduct • US response to Vietcong tactics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mass bombing, Operation Rolling Thunder • impact of 'Search and Destroy', Zippo raids • battle for 'Hearts and Minds' • defoliants, Agent Orange • 'bait' the enemy, Napalm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TV and media coverage of the war <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • coverage of the Gulf of Tonkin incident and Tet Offensive, impact, Walter Cronkite • coverage of My Lai, impact, Lt. William Calley, Seymour Hersh • Anti-war movements in the USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • context of Watergate • Kent State protest • Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) • March on Washington • Fulbright hearings • the draft, impact of conscription • Anti-war role models <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MLK, Muhammed Ali, Bob Dylan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paris Peace Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henry Kissinger, Lu Duc Tho, Nobel Peace Prize • terms of the Paris Peace Agreement • Nixon's actions to end the war <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vietnamisation • widening war into Laos and Cambodia • Bombing campaigns of 1970–72 • US withdrawal • Fall of Saigon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When? Why? • final US withdrawal and evacuation • the price of conflict; problems in Vietnam in 1975