

Chapter 42: The Stormy Sixties

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1. What difficulties would the United States face in the 1960s?
 2. Who was Attorney General under JFK?
 3. Who was director of the FBI?
 4. What economic problem faced JFK and how did the steel industry anger him?
 5. How did JFK try to stimulate a sluggish economy?
 6. How did JFK react to his unsuccessful summit meeting with Khrushchchev in Vienna?
 7. How did the Soviets react to JFK's actions?
 8. What was the result of the 1962 Trade Expansion Act?
 9. DeGaulle of France - what was his goal and how did he react to the United States?
 10. What was Kennedy's policy of Flexible Response?
 11. What action did the Kennedy administration take as a result of the policy?
 12. Who was JFK's Secretary of Defense?
 13. Why was the Flexible Response policy a dangerous one?
 14. Why were American forces initially sent to Vietnam?
 15. What was the failed Alliance for Progress and its purpose?
 16. What and when was the Bay of Pigs fiasco?
 17. What caused the crisis between the Soviet Union and the U.S. regarding Cuba?
 18. What action did JFK take?
 19. How was the crisis resolved?
 20. What were the overall effects of the crisis?
 21. What did JFK propose in a speech at the American University in June, 1963?
 22. At first, why was JFK slow to act in the area of racial justice?
 23. What events caused Kennedy to join hands with the civil rights movement?
 24. Who were James Meredith and Medgar Evers?
 25. What and when was the March on Washington?
 26. Who led the investigation of President Kennedy's assassination?
 27. What was LBJ's background?
 28. What actions did LBJ take and propose once he was president?
 29. Why did voters support LBJ over Senator Barry Goldwater?
 30. What and when was the Gulf of Tonkin incident?
 31. What power did the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution give the president?
 32. What did the 1964 election indicate about the Solid South?
 33. What reforms and programs came about as a result of the Great Society?
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34. What became the chief goal of the civil rights movement in 1964?
 35. What was the poll tax and how was it ended?
 36. What was the important provision of the 1965 Voting Rights Act?
 37. Who were the radical black leaders of the 1960s?
 38. What was Black Power and how did whites perceive it?
 39. What became the primary focus of the Black Power movement in the North?
 40. Into what Caribbean country did LBJ send troops in 1965 and why?
 41. How did the U.S. react to the Vietcong attack on the American base at Pleiku?