

Important Dates

1776 July 4 - Declaration of Independence

1787 US Constitution Written

1898 Spanish American War

1914 WWI Begins in Europe

1918 WWI Armistice - US DOESNT Sign Treaty of Versailles

1929 Stock Market Crashes - Great Depression Begins

1939 WWII Begins in Europe

1941 Pearl Harbor attacked

1945 WWII Ends - US bombs Japan

1957 Russia Launches Sputnik - Space Race Starts

1969 NASA lands on Moon

1991 Berlin Wall falls - Cold War ends

2001 World Trade Center/Pentagon Attack

2008 Election of Barack Obama - first Black president

Foreign Policy

Monroe Doctrine European Countries stay out of the Americas **Big Stick Diplomacy** T. Roosevelt's forceful policy in Caribbean

Open Door Policy Desire for open trade across China

Neutrality Acts Forbid \$ or arms deals with nations at war

Lend-Lease Act US can provide supplies to nations whose defense is vital to our defense

Containment Cold War policy to stop the spread of Communism

Truman Doctrine \$ aid to Greece and Turkey help them not fall to Communism

Marshall Plan \$ aid to Europe to help rebuild and prevent spread of Communism

Domino Theory fear that if one country falls to Communism, others will too

Détente relaxation of tensions - especially between the US and Soviets

SALT agreement to limit nuclear weapons - Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty

Camp David Accords peace treaty in between Israel and Egypt that President Carter helped negotiate

NAFTA trade agreement between the U.S., Mexico, and Canada

Them's the Rules: Laws and Court Cases

Plessy v. Ferguson (1896) established segregation (separating races) and "separate but equal" doctrine

Homestead Act provided almost free land in the West for white Americans - led to massacres of Native Americans

Chinese Exclusion Act outlawed immigration of Chinese people to the United States

Dawes Act forced Native Americans away from their way of living and on to farms

Sherman Antitrust Act attempted to break up monopolies and protect consumers

Interstate Commerce Act created the Interstate Commerce Commission to regulate railroads

Pure Food and Drug Act created to ensure that consumers had healthy food and medicine

Initiative the people hold the right to propose a new law

Referendum the people hold the right to directly vote on a new law

Recall the people hold the right to remove someone from office

American Indian Citizenship Act of 1924 granted citizenship (but not voting) to all Native Americans born in the U.S.

Executive Order 9066 FDR's action that led to Japanese American Internment

Korematsu v. US (1944) SCOTUS decision that upheld Japanese American Internment as a wartime measure

Sweatt v. Painter (1950) SCOTUS decision that challenged segregation doctrine of Plessy in colleges

Brown v. Board of Education (1954) SCOTUS decision that found school segregation unconstitutional

Hernandez v. Texas (1954) SCOTUS decision that said the "equal protection" clause of the 14th Amendment applies to all races

Civil Rights Act of 1964 outlawed segregation in public spaces

Voting Rights Act of 1965 outlawed discriminatory voting practices like literacy tests

Tinker v. Des Moines (1969) outlawed discriminatory voting practices like literacy tests

Wisconsin v. Yoder (1972) 1st Amendment SCOTUS case that said Amish children couldn't be forced to go to school past 8th grade

Title IX law that prohibits sexual discrimination in education

War Powers Act law that limits the president's military powers without Congressional declaration of war

Endangered Species Act law that protects certain at-risk animals and their environments

Community Reinvestment Act of 1977 law that tried to reverse decades of racist lending policies as a result of HOLC maps

USA Patriot Act law that allows government agencies to watch Americans' personal records

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 an economic recovery plan developed to help the U.S. after the 2008 financial crisis

Say What??? (Vocabulary)

E Pluribus Unum this is Latin for "out of many, one." It's the motto of the United States.

Phlianthropist this is someone who gives away their time or money. Think of it as charity.

Stalemate this means that neither side in a fight can move. You hear this word a lot in games like chess. Or in war.

Push/Pull Factors these are the reasons people move somewhere. They're either being pushed away or pulled in.

Laissez-Faire this term means "hands off." This is one way of referring to the government not interfering in something.

Embargo this means the US won't trade with someone.

Nativism this refers to when someone doesn't like immigrants. A Nativist only likes someone who is "native" to their country.

Temperance this is the movement to stop alcohol. When you "temper" your use of something, you're reducing or stopping it.

Must-Know Amendments

1 Personal Freedoms - Speech, Press, Religion, Assembly, Petition

2 Right to Bear Arms - Gun ownership & regulation for militia

3 No Quartering of Troops

4 Search & Seizure

5 Life, Liberty, and Property

6 Criminal Trial Rights - trial by a jury of your peers

7 Civil Trial Rights

8 No Cruel and Unusual Punishment

9 Other rights for *individuals*

10 Other rights for *states*

13 FREE - Abolished Slavery

14 CITIZENS - Rights of Citizenship & Due Process

15 VOTE - Voting guaranteed regardless of race

16 Created Federal Income Tax

17 Direct election of senators

18 Start of Prohibition (@ 18 you can't drink)

19 Women can vote!

21 Prohibition ends! (@ 21 you CAN drink)

24 Outlaws the poll tax

Local/State

Laws

26 Sets the voting age at 18

Bill of Rights

Reconstruction Amendments

Progressive Amendments

Period	People	Characteristics
Westward Expansion		Manifest Destiny, Gold Rush, Transcontinental Railroad, Homestead Act, Sand Creek Massacre, Dawes Act
Gilded Age (1865-1898)	Andrew Carnegie -industrialist, vertical integration	Electricity, Robber Barons vs. Captains of Industry, urbanization, European immigration, Chinese Exclusion Act, monopolies/trusts, labor strikes, Populism
Age of Imperialism (1898-1918)	Theodore Roosevelt -led Rough Riders during Sp. Am. War Alfred T. Mahan -imperialist who wanted a strong navy Sanford Dole -imperialist who helped take over Hawaii Alvin York - Congressional Medal of Honor recipient in WWI John J. Pershing -leader of the American Expeditionary Forces	Territorial Gain (Guam, HI, Philippines, Puerto Rico), War (Spanish American, WWI), Trade (Open Door Policy, Dollar Diplomacy, Panama Canal)
Progressive Era	Susan B. Anthony -Suffragist who fought for women's right to vote Jane Addams -Hull House founder; to Americanize immigrant kids Ida B. Wells -anti-lynching advocate; co-founder of NAACP W.E.B. DuBois -co-founder of NAACP; wanted immediate equality Upton Sinclair -author of The Jungle; led to Meat Inspection Act Muckrakers -reform-minded journalists wanting change Populists -political movement of farmers for reform	Muckrakers, labor unions, reform, Populism, suffrage, Social Gospel Movement, FDA
1920s	Henry Ford - used the assembly line to mass produce cars = cheaper Marcus Garvey -Harlem Renaissance leader; Back to Africa mvmt. Charles Lindbergh - first to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean	Harlem Renaissance, 1st Red Scare, Jazz, Prohibition, Scopes "Monkey" Trial (on teaching evolution), Hoovervilles, Teapot Dome Scandal, Flappers
Great Depression/New Deal	Eleanor Roosevelt - first modern/"activist" First Lady	Black Tuesday, buying on credit, speculation, Bank Holidays, Dust Bowl
WWII	Dwight D. Eisenhower - Commander in charge of D-Day Douglas MacArthur - Army Commander in the Pacific Chester Nimitz - Navy Commander in the Pacific Vernon Baker - Congressional Medal of Honor recipient in WWII Tuskegee Airmen - elite African American pilot team Flying Tigers - volunteer pilots who sent supplies to aid China Navajo Code Talkers - Native Americans used Navajo as code	Rise of Dictators, Holocaust, Pearl Harbor, Rosie the Riveter, Executive Order 9066, Battle of Midway, D-Day
Cold War	Joseph McCarthy - Senator looking for Communists; 2nd Red Scare	Containment, McCarthyism, Arms Race, NATO, Korean War, Marshall Plan
Vietnam/60s	"Roy" Benavidez -Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, Vietnam	Guerrilla Warfare, Draft, Student Protests, Vietnamization, Role of the Media
Civil Rights Movement	Martin Luther King -civil disobedience, "I Have a Dream" speech Cesar Chavez -Chicano Movement leader, civil disobedience Dolores Huerta - Chicano Movement leader, mentor to Chavez Rosa Parks - started Montgomery Bus Boycott, NAACP worker Betty Friedan - feminist, wrote "The Feminine Mystique", NOW George Wallace - racist Alabama governor, opposed integration Orval Faubus - racist Arkansas governor, opposed integration Thurgood Marshall - 1st African American SCOTUS justice Billy Graham - American preacher	Movements for minority rights, Civil Disobedience, Voting Rights, Chicano Mural Movement, American Indian Movement (AIM), Affirmative Action, Poor People's Campaign, Title IX, Civil Rights Act of 1964, Voting Rights Act of 1965
70s/80s		Detente, OPEC, Watergate, Camp David Accords, Iran Hostage Crisis, Stagflation, Reaganomics, Iran-Contra
Modern Era	Sandra Day O'Connor - 1st woman SCOTUS justice Hillary Clinton - tasked with health care reform as First Lady Sonia Sotomayor - 1st Hispanic SCOTUS justice	Berlin Wall falls, Persian Gulf War, NAFTA, 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, Barack Obama