(Unit 7) Period 8 Timeline of Major Events (1945-1980)

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| President: | Event and Significance: |
| Harry S. Truman  Democrat  (1945-1953) | Servicemen’s Readjustment Act or GI Bill (1944) |
| Formation of the United Nations (1945) |
| Baby Boom (1946-1964) |
| Iron Curtain (1946) |
| Employment Act of 1946 |
| Committee on Civil Rights (1946) |
| Levitttown (1947) |
| Taft-Hartley Act (1947) |
| National Security Act (1947)   * Department of Defense * National Security Council (NSC) * Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) * Selective Service System (1948) |
|  | Truman Doctrine (1947) |
| Jackie Robinson (1947) |
| Loyalty Review Board (1947)   * McCarran Internal Security Act (1950) * *Dennis et al v. United States* (1951) * HUAC   + Hiss Case (1948-50)   + Rosenberg Case (1951-53) |
| Executive Order 9981 (1948) |
| Marshall Plan (1948)   * Molotov Plan (1947) |
| Berlin Airlift (1948-49) |
| Truman’s *Fair Deal* (1949) |
|  | Sino-Soviet Pact (1950) |
| McCarthyism (1950s) |
| Korean War (1950-1953)   * June 25, 1950 * Counterattack * Truman v. MacArthur * Armistice |
| 22nd Amendment (1951) |
| U.S.-Japanese Security Treaties (1951) |
| Hydrogen Bomb (1952) |
| Dwight D. Eisenhower  Republican  (1953-1961) | Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) (1953) |
| Operation Wetback (1954) |
| Geneva Conference (1954) |
| Domino Theory (1954) |
| SEATO South-east Asia Treaty Organization (1954) |
| *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka* (1954) |
| Montgomery Bus Boycott (1955) |
| Little Rock Nine (1956) |
| Suez Crisis (1956) |
| Highway Act (1956) |
| Civil Rights Act of 1957 |
| Formation of SCLC Southern Christian Leadership Conference (1957) |
| Eisenhower Doctrine (1957) |
| Sputnik (1957) |
| NDEA-National Defense and Education Act (1958) |
| NASA-National Aeronautics and Space Administration (1958) |
| Civil Rights Act of 1960 |
| Formation of SNCC, The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (1960) |
| OPEC Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (1960) |
| U-2 Incident (1960) |
| “Military-Industrial Complex” (1961) |
| “Beatniks” (1950s-1960s) |
| John. F. Kennedy  Democrat  (1961-1963) |  |
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| Lyndon B. Johnson  Democrat  (1963-1969)    Richard Nixon  Republican  (1969-1974) |  |
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| Gerald Ford  Republican  (1974-1977) |  |
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| Jimmy Carter  Democrat  (1977-1981) |  |
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