**APUSH CHAPTER 31 STUDY GUIDE**

**DIRECTIONS:** Answer each focus question. **Begin each answer with a topic statement, then support with facts**. You know how to do the IDs.

1. Describe John F. Kennedy's background and his plans for domestic legislation. How did his New Frontier fare?
2. **What were the purposes of Medicare and Medicaid? Why were they controversial?**
3. **What agency was the "centerpiece" of the Great Society? What new approach tried to involve the poor themselves in shaping the programs?**
4. Who opposed federal aid to education? How did Johnson's legislation manage to circumvent much of the opposition?
5. **How did the effort to fund both the Great Society and a great military establishment affect the federal budget?**
6. **What did the Great Society accomplish?**
7. How did John F. Kennedy's approach to foreign policy contrast with Eisenhower's? What specific programs illustrated that difference?
8. What were the purpose and the result of the Bay of Pigs invasion?
9. Know the following about the Cuban Missile Crisis:
	1. What caused it?
	2. How was it resolved?
	3. What was its legacy?
10. Why did Lyndon Johnson send troops to the Dominican Republic? Was the action reminiscent of the interventions in the days of the Roosevelt Corollary?
11. Recount the stages of Johnson's escalation of the Vietnam War up to 1967. Why did the conflict become a "quagmire"?
12. Why did America's twofold strategy of "attrition" and "pacification" fail?
13. Where did domestic opposition to the war originate? How did it spread?
14. How did involvement in Vietnam affect the American economy?
15. What anxieties did Richard Nixon and George Wallace exploit in the 1968 presidential election?
16. How have historians differed in their explanations for the continuing involvement of the United States in Vietnam despite bleak prospects for victory?
17. Why was the Berlin Wall built?
18. Vietminh
19. Viet Cong
20. Alliance for Progress

**Bolded questions** means that topic MAY show up on exam as an essay prompt. It would be in reference to how the Great Society carried on legacy of FDR’s New Deal. May ask you to compare the two administrations and evaluate which was more successful.