Chapter 21: The Vietnam War Quiz

Multiple Choice
Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

The Vietnam War

1. Who was the nationalist leader who led Vietnam against the French?
   a. Nguyen Van Thieu    c. Ho Chi Minh
   b. Nguyen Cao Ky       d. Dien Bien Phu

2. The Geneva Accords stipulated that...
   a. Vietnam would be permanently split along the 17th parallel
   b. unifying elections would be held within two years
   c. the French would gain control of all of Vietnam
   d. Ho Chi Minh would gain control of a unified Vietnam

3. What principle, described by President Eisenhower, became associated with American involvement in Southeast Asia?
   a. containment              c. the domino theory
   b. dividing Vietnam         d. strengthening South Vietnam

4. Why did President Kennedy support the government of Ngo Dinh Diem?
   a. Diem had been democratically elected.
   b. Kennedy feared that Communists would take over South Vietnam.
   c. Kennedy feared that the Viet Cong would attack Saigon.
   d. Diem had honestly used American aid to carry out economic reforms.

5. The Viet Cong rebelled against the government of South Vietnam when...
   a. the French won colonial control of South Vietnam
   b. the Diem government and the U.S. failed to hold elections to reunite the country
   c. Ho Chi Minh gained control of a united Vietnam
   d. the U.S. took control of a united Vietnam

6. President Kennedy’s policy in Vietnam was to
   a. send 100,000 troops to South Vietnam. c. gain the loyalty of the Viet Cong.
   b. increase the number of American       d. support the efforts of Ho Chi Minh.
   military advisors.

7. This event led to vast escalation in the U.S. presence in Vietnam.
   a. The sinking of the USS Maine          c. The attack in the Gulf of Tonkin
   b. The attack on Pearl Harbor           d. The Battle at El Almein

8. What congressional action gave President Johnson the authority to escalate the Vietnam War?
   a. the Pentagon Papers               c. the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution
   b. the Geneva Conference decision     d. a Joint Chiefs of Staff finding
9. The strategy used by the Viet Cong was based on...
   a. outlasting the American will to fight in Vietnam.
   b. overpowering the U.S. with their superior military weaponry.
   c. allying with the Soviet Union and using their army against the U.S.
   d. the use of chemical weapons against the U.S.

10. In fighting the war in Vietnam, U.S. soldiers struggled with which of the following?
    a. Guerrilla Warfare
    b. Loss of fellow soldiers
    c. Lack of support at home
    d. All of the above

11. American soldiers were confused to discover that many South Vietnamese people
    a. spoke French.
    b. worked at farming and fishing.
    c. had fled to Laos and Cambodia.
    d. did not appreciate their efforts.

12. This supply line became the target of much of the U.S. Bombing during the Vietnam War.
    a. Ho Chi Minh Trail
    b. The Berlin Wall
    c. The Batan Line
    d. The Iron Curtain

13. This counter-attack by the Viet Cong and the Viet Minh led to a decrease in support for the Vietnam War.
    a. The Battle of the Bulge
    b. The Tet Offensive
    c. The Battle of Pleiku
    d. Battle of Khe Sanh

14. In the United States, television was instrumental in
    a. promoting understanding between Americans and the Vietnamese.
    b. developing enthusiasm for the American war effort in Vietnam.
    c. bringing the brutality of the war into people’s living rooms.
    d. revealing the contents of classified military documents.

15. Some Americans questioned the fairness of the draft because
    a. the government refused to draft African Americans.
    b. only men between the ages of 18 and 26 were drafted.
    c. college students could easily avoid the draft.
    d. women were drafted along with men.

16. People who opposed fighting the war on moral or religious grounds were known as
    a. freedom fighters.
    b. men of honor.
    c. conscientious objectors.
    d. Viet Cong.

17. What was the primary focus of the protest movement of the 1960s?
    a. to ban the use of Agent Orange
    b. to demand U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam
    c. to end segregation of the military
    d. to build support for the draft

18. Which of the following groups voiced the most opposition to the war in Vietnam?
    a. Republicans
    b. Democrats
    c. Conservatives
    d. Students
19. Because of the failure to succeed in Vietnam by 1968,
   a. President Johnson declined to run for re-election
   b. President Johnson was impeached
   c. Vice President Nixon was put in charge
   d. None of the above

20. In an effort to garner public support President Nixon...
   a. instituted a policy of Vietnamization
   b. began to use nuclear weapons
   c. began talks with the Soviets
   d. publicly announced bombings in Cambodia

21. Which of the following reigned student protests in 1970?
   a. the defeat of Eugene McCarthy
   b. Johnson’s escalation of the war
   c. Nixon’s invasion of Cambodia
   d. the surrender of Saigon

22. Tensions between students who opposed the war and National Guardsmen resulted in four deaths at
   a. Kent State.
   b. “Ole Miss.”
   c. James Madison University.
   d. Ohio State.

23. Which of the following was not part of the peace treaty signed in 1973?
   a. The seventeenth parallel would continue to divide North and South Vietnam.
   b. All prisoners of war would be released.
   c. Elections to unify the country would be held within 60 days.
   d. The United States would withdraw from South Vietnam.

24. The Vietnam War finally ended in 1975 when
   a. North Vietnam surrendered.
   b. U.S. forces invaded Cambodia.
   c. Nixon signed a peace treaty with North Vietnam.
   d. North Vietnam gained control over all of Vietnam.

25. Which of the following is NOT a lasting legacy of the war?
   a. The death of more than 58,000 Americans
   b. The death of more than a million Vietnamese
   c. The renewed commitment by all Americans to destroy communism
   d. Disillusion by many of the returning Vietnam Vets

26. Which of the following is true of the song, “Ohio”?
   a. It is pro-war and supports the U.S. Army
   b. It discusses the conflict between protestors and the National Guard
   c. It is anti-war and satirizes recruitment efforts during the Vietnam War
   d. It is anti-war and criticizes the draft system

27. Which of the following is true of the song, “Fortunate Son”?
   a. It is pro-war and supports the U.S. Army
   b. It discusses the conflict between protestors and the National Guard
   c. It is anti-war and satirizes recruitment efforts during the Vietnam War
   d. It is anti-war and criticizes the draft system
28. Which of the following is true of the song, “I Feel Like I’m Fixin To Die Rag”?
   a. It is pro-war and supports the U.S. Army
   b. It discusses the conflict between protestors and the National Guard
   c. It is ant-war and satirizes recruitment efforts during the Vietnam War
   d. It is anti-war and criticizes the draft system

29. Which of the following is true of the song, “The Ballad of the Green Beret”?
   a. It is pro-war and supports the U.S. Army
   b. It discusses the conflict between protestors and the National Guard
   c. It is ant-war and satirizes recruitment efforts during the Vietnam War
   d. It is anti-war and criticizes the draft system

30. This peaceful event was symbolic of the ideas expressed by the Counter Culture Movement.
   a. The music festival at Altamont
   b. The protests at Kent State University
   c. The Woodstock Festival
   d. The Democratic Convention in Chicago

31. This event signaled the end of the “peace and love” feeling associated with the Counter Culture.
   a. The music festival at Altamont
   b. The protests at Kent State University
   c. The Woodstock Festival
   d. The Democratic Convention in Chicago

### READING A CHART

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Source: DOD/OASD

32. Based on the above chart, in which year did the policy of Vietnamization take place?
   a. 1964  c. 1969
   b. 1967  d. 1972
**Why Are We In Vietnam?**

33. What is Lyndon Johnson’s claim about why the U.S. is involved in Vietnam?
   a. We want to imperialize South East Asia
   b. We have a promise to keep in order to strengthen world order
   c. We want to continue our place as a world leader
   d. We want to make sure that we reduced Vietnamese refugees

34. What is Ho Chi Minh’s claim about why the United States is involved in Vietnam?
   a. We wanted to imperialize South East Asia
   b. We had a promise to keep in order to restore world order
   c. We wanted to continue our place as a world leader
   d. We wanted to protect neighboring countries

35. According to Ho Chi Minh, what worldwide policy did the United States go against?
   a. The Marshall Plan
   b. The Geneva Accords
   c. The Truman Doctrine
   d. The Versailles Treaty
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Answer Section

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 792
   OBJ: 24.1.1 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.1.1—Learn about the events that led to the war between North Vietnam and South Vietnam.

2. ANS: B PTS: 1

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   OBJ: 24.1.1 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.1.1—Learn about the events that led to the war between North Vietnam and South Vietnam.

4. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 794
   OBJ: 24.1.2 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.1.2—Become familiar with the Vietnam policies of President Kennedy and Robert McNamara.

5. ANS: B PTS: 1

6. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 793–795
   OBJ: 24.1.2 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Kennedy’s policies
   NOT: 24.1.2—Become familiar with the Vietnam policies of President Kennedy and Robert McNamara.

7. ANS: C PTS: 1

8. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 796
   OBJ: 24.1.3 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Military escalation | Gulf of Tonkin Resolution
   NOT: 24.1.3—See how President Johnson changed the course of the war.

9. ANS: A PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 800
   OBJ: 24.2.1 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.2.1—Learn how battlefield conditions in Vietnam affected American soldiers.

10. ANS: D PTS: 1

11. ANS: D PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 799
    OBJ: 24.2.1 STA: 11.9.3.g TOP: Vietnam War
    NOT: 24.2.1—Learn how battlefield conditions in Vietnam affected American soldiers.

12. ANS: A PTS: 1

13. ANS: B PTS: 1

14. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: Easy REF: 808
    OBJ: 24.3.2 STA: 11.9.4 TOP: Civilian effects
    NOT: 24.3.2—Learn why President Johnson decided not to seek reelection.

15. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: Easy REF: 808
    OBJ: 24.3.1 STA: 11.9.4 TOP: War resistance | Draft
    NOT: 24.3.1—Find out about the role played by students in the protest movements of the 1960s.

16. ANS: C PTS: 1 DIF: Average REF: 807
    OBJ: 24.3.1 STA: 11.9.4 TOP: War resistance | Draft
    NOT: 24.3.1—Find out about the role played by students in the protest movements of the 1960s.

17. ANS: B PTS: 1 DIF: Easy REF: 808
    OBJ: 24.3.1 STA: 11.9.4 TOP: War resistance
    NOT: 24.3.1—Find out about the role played by students in the protest movements of the 1960s.

18. ANS: D PTS: 1

19. ANS: A PTS: 1
20. ANS: A  PTS: 1

21. ANS: C  PTS: 1  DIF: Average  REF: 814
   OBJ: 24.4.1  STA: 11.9.4  TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.4.1—Learn how President Nixon’s policies led to American withdrawal from Vietnam.

22. ANS: A  PTS: 1  DIF: Easy  REF: 814
   OBJ: 24.3.1  STA: 11.9.4  TOP: Counterculture | Protest
   NOT: 24.3.1—Find out about the role played by students in the protest movements of the 1960s.

23. ANS: C  PTS: 1  DIF: Average  REF: 815
   OBJ: 24.4.3  STA: 11.9.3.g  TOP: Vietnam War
   NOT: 24.4.3—See what happened in Vietnam after the withdrawal of American forces.

24. ANS: D  PTS: 1  DIF: Average  REF: 815
   OBJ: 24.4.3  STA: 11.9.3.g  TOP: Vietnam War end
   NOT: 24.4.3—See what happened in Vietnam after the withdrawal of American forces.

25. ANS: C  PTS: 1

26. ANS: B  PTS: 1

27. ANS: D  PTS: 1

28. ANS: C  PTS: 1

29. ANS: A  PTS: 1

30. ANS: C  PTS: 1

31. ANS: A  PTS: 1

32. ANS: C  PTS: 1

33. ANS: B  PTS: 1

34. ANS: A  PTS: 1

35. ANS: B  PTS: 1