Chapter 19 Kennedy and Johnson Years

Section 1

1. **Election of 1960**
   1. Kennedy vs. Nixon,
      1. Both served in World War II. Both were in Congressman.
      2. Most of the election was televised for the 1st time.
      3. 1st time there were TV debates.
      4. JFK’s support of African Americans made him win a close race vs. Nixon.
      5. JFK Inaugural Address, *“ Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country”*
2. **John F. Kennedy – His Policies**
   1. JFK created the **“New Frontier”**
      1. Wanted to improve, economy, education, health care, civil rights, and push the space program.
   2. **Military** **Policy** – “*Flexible Response*”
      1. Means the USA was prepared to fight against any conflict. JFK funded the Green Berets
   3. **Foreign Policy** – “*Peace Corps”*
      1. Created in 1961 where USA volunteers around the world on missions for freedom.
      2. They provided technical educational and health services around the globe. **It was successful**
      3. JFK believed that to stop spread of communism USA needed to push prosperity and democracy.
   4. **Foreign Policy** – *“Alliance for Progress”*
      1. JFK promised to push the Good Neighbor policy with Latin America once again.
      2. Promoted economic assistance to Latin America. **It was unsuccessful.**
   5. **Domestic Policy –** “*Equal Pay Act”(Men and Women)*
      1. Required for equal wages for “equal work” for businesses buying and selling goods.
   6. **Space Race** – *“Created NASA”*
      1. Space race is a term used between Soviet Union and USA to put the 1st person on the moon.
      2. 1961 John Glenn – first American to orbit the Earth
      3. 1969 – Neil Armstrong first man stepped foot on the moon.
3. **Bay of Pigs Invasion**
   1. Eisenhower - Central Intelligence Agency
      1. Made a plan to invade Cuba and overthrow Fidel Castro.
      2. Plan called for recruiting Cuban exiles and trained them.
      3. Eisenhower leaves office and the plan was incomplete and training was not finished.
   2. Kennedy’s Cuban Exiles Invade Bay of Pigs in Cuba vs. Fidel Castro
      1. Kennedy pushed forward with the plan, was pressured into invading Cuba.
      2. The Cuban exiles were poorly equipped. The landing site also had no protective cover fire.
      3. 300 out of 1,400 invaders survived.
      4. Kennedy took full responsibility of the failed invasion, made Cuban Americans hate him.
4. **Cuban Missile Crisis 1962 – Closest to Nuclear War in World History**
   1. Soviets were building nuclear missile sites in Cuba to protect Fidel Castro from USA invasion.
   2. When missile sites completed , Soviets would be in range of East Coast USA cities and the Panama Canal
   3. **Kennedy pushes to stop**
      1. Kennedy blamed Nikita Khrushchev the new Soviet Union leader as the threat to world peace.
      2. Kennedy would blockade Cuba to stop the construction of the missile sites.
      3. Kennedy would remove his nuclear missiles in Italy & Turkey if Soviets removes theirs in Cuba.
      4. Khrushchev agreed to honor the blockade and remove the missiles.
      5. Resulting Kennedy and Khrushchev made a telephone “**hot line**” between D.C. & Moscow.
      6. Created the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty
         1. First nuclear weapons agreement signed by Britain, USA, and Soviet Union
         2. This ended aboveground nuclear tests.
         3. 36 other nations soon signed the agreement
5. **Berlin Crisis** 
   1. 1961 Conference in Vienna between USA (Kennedy) and Soviet Union (Khrushchev) over Berlin control
      1. Soviets wanted USA to leave West Berlin. USA Kennedy said no to protect West Berlin
      2. Soviets asked USA to remove its military presence in West Berlin. USA Kennedy said no,
      3. No agreement was made on the issue of Berlin.
         1. **Both USA and Soviets headed home. No agreement was settled on Berlin**
            1. Kennedy increased military spending in West Berlin.
            2. Khrushchev was mad and created the Berlin Wall.
6. **JFK Assassinated**
   1. 1963 traveled to Dallas, TX to try to get re-elected.
   2. **Lee Harvey Oswald** setup on the 6th floor of the “Texas School Book Depository”
   3. Oswald shot 3 shots as JFK was pulling around the Depository.
   4. The 3rd shot hit Kennedy in the head; he was dead an hour later.
      1. **Lyndon B. Johnson,** Kennedy’s Vice President was sworn into office as the new President.
      2. **Warren Commission**
         1. Investigated if there were multiple people. They said Oswald was “lone killer”
   5. Lee Harvey Oswald was being transferred while in jail and was shot by Jack Ruby
   6. Jack Ruby died of lung cancer in prison.

Section 2 – Johnson’s Great Society

1. **Great Society** for Johnson
   1. Johnson called, “an end to poverty and racial injustice” and opportunity for children.
      1. **Health care**
         1. Great Society created Medicare and Medicaid.
            1. **Medicare**

Gave hospital insurance for Americans with Social Security 65+ years old

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Gave medical to poor & disabled who were not on Social Security.

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       1. **Elementary and Secondary Education Act**
          1. Gave federal funds to improve school facilities.
          2. Helped Indian, inner city, and Mexican American schools drastically.
    2. **Immigration**
       1. **Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965**
          1. Allowed Americas doors to once again be open to Latin America, Central America, Caribbean, and Asian countries.

1. **Warren Court – pushed for Constitutional rights.**
   1. ***Mapp vs. Ohio - 1961***
      1. Court ruled that evidence in trial that was illegally received could not be used in trial.
   2. ***Gideon vs. Wainwright - 1963***
      1. Court ruled that all accused criminals had the right to a lawyer. Even if they could not pay one.
   3. ***Escobedo vs. Illinois - 1963***
      1. Court ruled that lawbreakers had to be offered access to a lawyer if they could not pay for one.
   4. ***Miranda vs. Arizona - 1966***
      1. Court ruled that a criminal had to be read his/her rights before being questioned.
   5. ***Engel vs. Vitale – 1962***
      1. Court ruled that students did not have to say a school prayer. It promoted religion.
   6. ***Abington vs. Schempp – 1963***
      1. Court ruled that students could not be forced to read the Bible.