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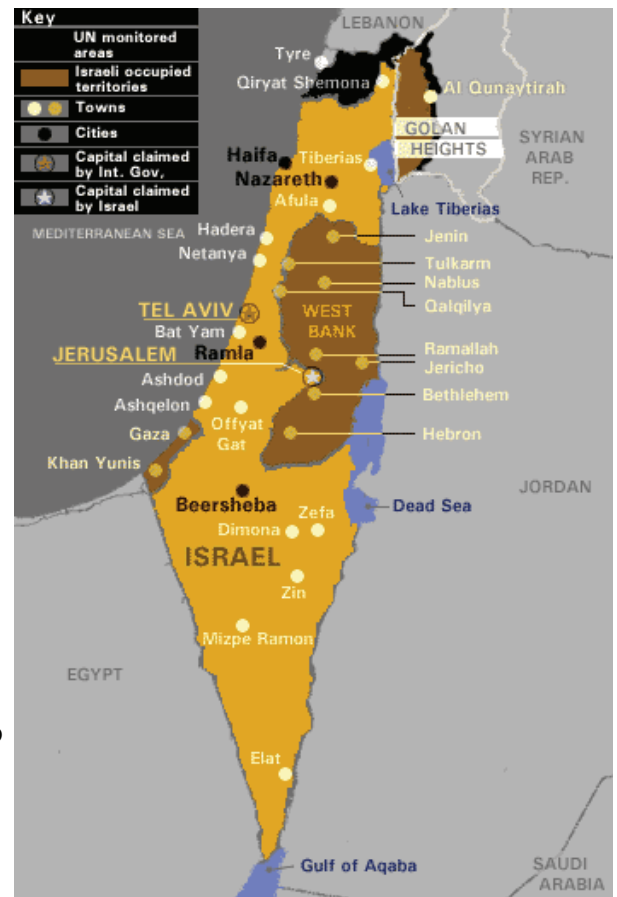
The 1970's: Nixon, Détente and Watergate

Nixon's Foreign Policy

- Richard Nixon had served on the House U_____ C_____ and been considered an anti-Communist Crusader. When he came into office in 1969, following LBJ's withdrawal from the presidential race, few saw him as a future p_____ who would ease C_____ W_____ tensions.
- Nixon reached out to the Soviet Union and China looking to seek c_____ ground to ease tensions.
- His policy of D_____ looked for n_____ with C_____ nations rather than the use of threat or force in an attempt to relax and ease international t_____.
- Nixon looked to create a b_____ of p_____ with no nation too powerful allowing all nations to feel s_____.
- In June of 1971, Henry Kissinger made a secret trip to China and negotiated for Nixon to v_____ China and seek a n_____ in relations.
- Improved relations with C_____ spurred the S_____ U_____ to welcome Nixon in May of 1972. There was now a thaw in C_____ W_____ politics. The Soviets looked to prevent a C_____ U.S. alliance and share in technology and trade in the same way as the Chinese. F_____ shortages in the Soviet Union required American grain to feed the Russian people.
- Leonid Brezhnev, the Soviet leader, then negotiated and signed the SALT I (Strategic Arms Limitation) Treaty which restricted the number of n_____ m_____ in the two nations arsenals.

Nixon and the Middle East

- Since the founding of the Jewish state of Israel in 1948, the U.S. has s_____ Israel in its struggles with it's A_____ neighbors.
- Tensions and wars erupted in this part of the M_____ E_____ in 1948, 1956, 1967. In 1967, Israel's victory in *The Six Day War* left Israel with the West Bank, the Golan Heights of Syria, the Gaza Strip and the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt all land that it did not possess when it was c_____.
- The 1967 War also increased the number of r_____ as thousands of P_____ now lived in I_____ held territory and thousands more in neighboring A_____ states.
- The demand for their own h_____ has led to major instability in the M_____ E_____ which is still present today.
- In October of 1973, Egypt and Syria attacked Israel in an attempt to r_____ t_____ lost in the Six Day War.



Nixon and the Middle East Continued

- The Yom Kippur War, named after the Jewish holiday on which the attack took place, ended after the U.S. pressured Israel to accept a c_____ -f_____.
- Israel regained all land lost during the initial part of the war and gained a _____ territory from S_____ and E_____.
- Angry at the U.S. for supporting Israel the Arab Oil producing countries imposed an o_____ embargo or a ban on shipments, to the U.S. and to other Western nations seen as unfriendly.
- The embargo caused an oil s_____ in the U.S. leading to long lines of c_____ waiting for g_____ and prices to skyrocket.
- Nixon sent Kissinger to the Middle East in an attempt to n_____ and ease t_____.
- Kissinger negotiated a separation of forces in the Sinai Peninsula and Golan Heights and persuaded the A_____ nations to end the oil e_____ by 1974.
- Kissinger also improved U.S. and E_____ relations, promising foreign aid to the most powerful Arab state in the Middle East.
- In Latin America, Chili elected Salvador Allende as president. Allende was a Marxist and when he took over and confiscated American business interests, Nixon had the C. _____ back a small group of military l_____ under Augusto Pinochet, helping to o_____ the government and kill Allende.
- The U.S. immediately r_____ the dictatorship and sent foreign aid to C_____.
- Although Nixon was willing to pursue d_____ with the Soviet Union and C_____ he showed he was still willing to use f_____ to p_____ the _____ s_____ of C_____.

Nixon at Home and The Watergate Break-in

- At home Nixon believed in a r_____ role of the F_____ G_____ in peoples lives. He wanted to reverse the New Deal idea of the federal government solving peoples problems and return the power to the s_____ in what he called a N_____ Federalism.
- Nixon promoted r_____ sharing giving states some of the money the Federal Government collected in taxes to use at the s_____ and l_____ level of government.
- He looked to cutback on the Great S_____ social w_____ programs that were the centerpiece of Lyndon Johnsons domestic policy calling them a f_____.
- The Nixon administration supported Aff _____ Ac _____, or a preference to m_____ hiring in jobs where they had previously been e_____.
- Nixon also created two new government agencies, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), to ensure workers' s_____ and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to protect the e_____.
- Looking to 1972, Nixon feared he may not be re _____, because the V _____ W _____ was not yet over and the economy of the U.S. was struggling.
- Nixon planned his re _____ c_____ with a small group of loyal advisors, John Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman who it was reveled sometimes broke the l_____ in an effort to insure his reelection.

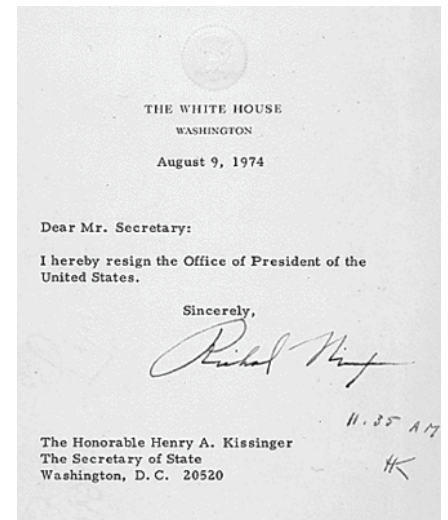
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- Nixon's campaign committee collected millions of dollars and used the money to fund a secret group they called the "plumbers" whose job it was to stop l_____ of information the might h_____ the c_____.
- The Democratic Party was split in 1972 between four c_____ who wanted to be p_____.
- Former VP Hubert Humphrey was the choice of the party, he was opposed by Edmund Muskie a Senator from Maine who had some support in the party, George McGovern a Senator from South Dakota who was a strong anti-war candidate and was favored by young voters, and George Wallace the former governor of Alabama who ran a campaign which looked for support among Southern Democrats unhappy with the parties support for C_____ R_____ for A_____ A_____.
- In May of 1972, an assassination attempt left Wallace p_____ and helped give the nomination to M_____ who lost in a l_____ to Nixon. Nixon won 520 electoral votes, McGovern 17.
- During Nixon's second term what seemed like a small scandal involving a b_____ at the W_____ office-apartment complex turned into a c_____ crisis.
- In June of 1972, Nixon's campaign committee wanting information about D_____ campaign plans, broke into the h_____ of the Democratic National Committee at the Watergate Complex attempting to plant b_____ or listening devices.
- The burglars were discovered and arrested. Several of the b_____ were part of the group of p_____ namely G. Gordon Liddy and E. Howard Hunt.
- Both men it was discovered, were paid members of the Nixon c_____ committee and paid with funds from the W_____ H_____.
- Meanwhile, two newspaper reporters, Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein, began publishing a series of n_____ articles in the Washington Post that linked Nixon to the burglary. As the election approached few Americans were paying a_____ to the story.
- After his reelection in Early 1973, with the story and cover-up unraveling the S_____ began to hold hearings on W_____.
- Nixon fired advisors, and attempted to p_____ the truth from becoming known; the testimony of John Dean, the former White House counsel and subsequent testimony of a White House t_____ s_____ that recorded all conversations in the Presidents office brought the c_____ to a head.
- The special prosecutor and the Senate demanded the tapes forcing Nixon to declare e_____ p_____, insisting that release of the tapes would damage n_____ s_____.
- In the middle of this turmoil Nixon's VP Spiro Agnew was forced to r_____ when a separate scandal revealed he had taken b_____ as Governor of Maryland.
- Nixon appointed Congressman Gerald R. Ford of Michigan to succeed Agnew and Congress quickly c_____ his appointment.
- Public outrage over Nixon's firing of special prosecutors and his Attorney General in what became known as the Saturday Night Massacre led the House to begin I_____ hearings for high crimes and misdemeanors.



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- At the end of July, the House adopted three A_____ of I_____ charging the President with o_____ of justice, a_____ of power, and c_____ of Congress.
- Nixon was forced through court decisions to release the W_____ H_____ tapes with one tape revealing that he had ordered the c_____ of the Watergate break-in proving Nixon had knowledge of the break-in and forcing him to resign on August 8, 1974 avoiding the prospect of being the first President to be I_____.
- Nixon made the a_____ on national TV, and the next morning bid farewell to his staff and left aboard the White House helicopter.



- Nixon was s_____ by Gerald R. Ford the only person to serve as President with being e_____.
- Watergate showed the system of c_____ and b_____ could work to r_____ a President who had a_____ their power.
- The s_____ though damaged the public's f_____ in their political institutions and l_____ for many years with a whole generation feeling government was c_____.
- Watergate is often viewed as the end of the 1960s. Although the event took place in the 1970s it marked the end of much of the b_____ b_____ efforts to reform s_____ as many gave up protesting to begin their own f_____ and careers.
- Gerald Ford soon proclaimed "Our long national nightmare is over" as he took office. He appointed Nelson Rockefeller of NY as VP and granted Richard Nixon a p_____ for any c_____ he may have committed.
- Ford hoped the pardon would put the Watergate affair to rest, but many Americans q_____ why Nixon should escape p_____, Ford was afterward never able to regain the trust of Americans and lost reelection.