The Vietnam Conflict

Origins

French: 1945-1964

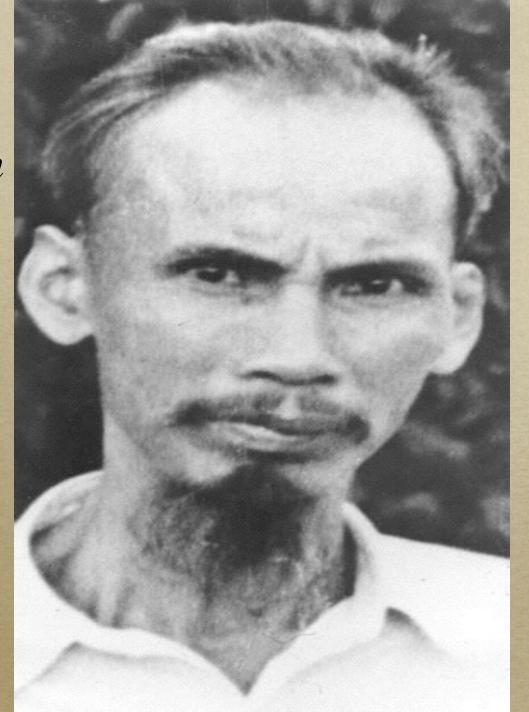
United States: 1964-1975

Do Now: What do you already know about the Vietnam War?

People? How long was it? Why? Result?

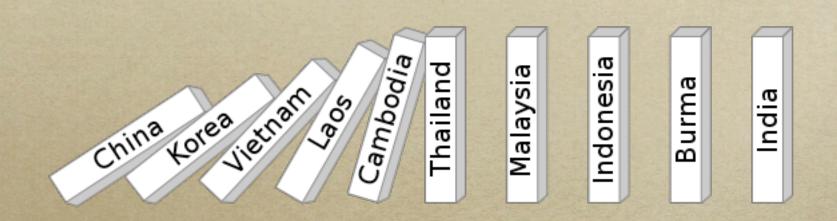
Origins of the Conflict

- U.S. promise French to help regain colonies in Indochina
- 1954 French are defeated at Diembienphu
- 1954 Geneva Accords
 - · Split Vietnam officially
 - · North: Ho Chi Minh (industry/China)
 - · South: Ngo Dinh Diem (agriculture/ U.S.)



Ho Chi Minh

The Domino Theory



If one Southeast Asian country falls to Communism, they will all fall...

Quick Write: Why would the U.S. care if Southeast Asia falls to Communism?

Anti-American Sentiment

Ngo Dinh Diem (South Vietnam)

- backed by the U.S.
- made Christianity national religion & denounced Buddhism
- Monks set themselves on fire in protest
- covered in media worldwide



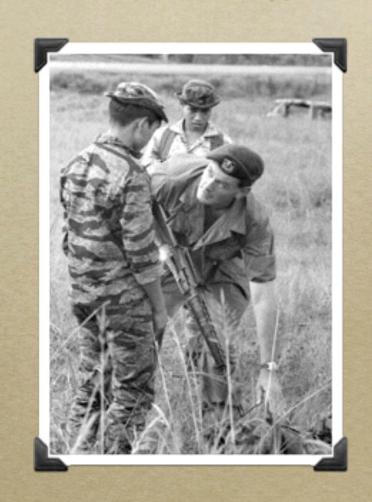
U.S. "Advisors" in Vietnam

- Eisenhower brings first U.S. troops
- JFK expands U.S.

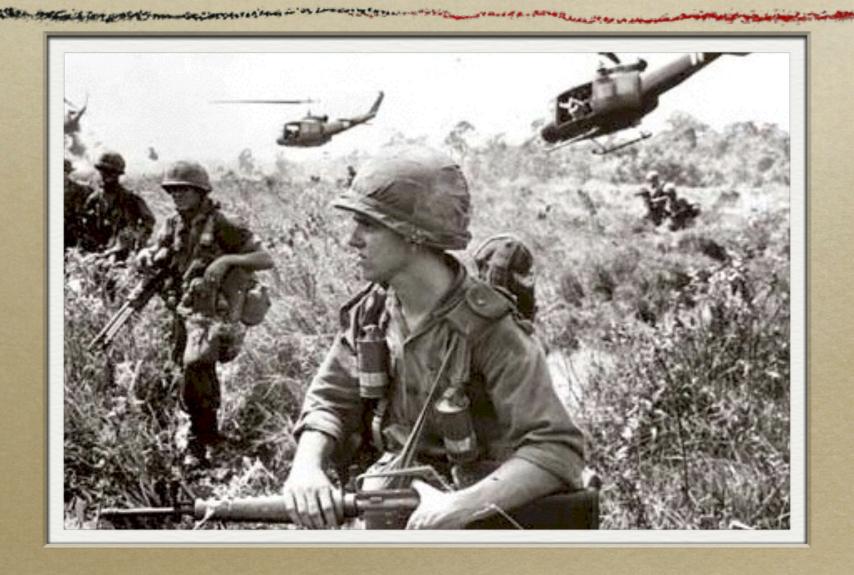
 presence & begins

 operations in Laos &

 Cambodia
- LBJ escalates U.S. involvement



U.S. Troop Escalation



Gulf of Tonkin Incident

1- Guided Practice:

Read & Discuss Gulf of Tonkin Resolution W.S.

2 -Video:

Johnson Speech



Guided Practice:

Map Activity

