

THE 1970'S WEBQUEST

Use the website below to answer the questions that follow:

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1. What were some of the problems facing America as the 1970's began?
2. How did many Americans respond to these challenges?
3. What was the effect of the perceived "decaying morality" in American life in the 1970's?

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4. Who were the five people involved in the Watergate break-in and what was the initial public reaction?
5. What was the cultural dynamic advocated by the Nixon Administration? How did this lead to the Watergate scandal?
6. What were the Pentagon Papers?
7. How and when did the Watergate break-in become national news?
8. What accomplishments did the Watergate scandal overwhelm in the legacy of the Nixon Administration?

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9. What is “malaise” and what role did it play in the economy and politics of the 1970’s?

10. What challenges did the American economy face in the 1970’s? How were these unique in modern America?

11. Summarize the issues (and their causes) surrounding the role of oil in the economy in the 1970’s.

12. How did the various Presidents of the 1970’s attempt to address the failing economy?

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13. What international issues faced America in the 1970’s?

14. Summarize the significant issues and events surrounding the Iranian hostage crisis in 1979.

15. What international issue was the one bright spot in the otherwise dismal international relations in the 1970’s?

16. How did Communism and the Cold War continue to haunt America in the 1970’s?

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17. In what ways could the 1970’s qualify as a “Me decade?”

18. What were some of the prominent challenges to traditional society that grew in the 1970’s?

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19. How did fashion and entertainment reflect the upheavals of the cultural and political scene in the 1970's?

20. What effects of the late 1960's sexual revolution became evident in the 1970's?

21. In what ways were women's roles changing during this time?

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22. What issues spurred the growth of conservatism and the "New Right" in the 1970's?

23. Summarize the role of religious conservatism in shaping the New Right political movement.

24. What extremist movements grew on the fringe of the New Right by the end of the decade?

Summary

25. What issues facing the 1970's do you see evident again in the 2010's? What issues does it seem we have finally solved?