

Viewpoint

Session 3: Tuesday 11

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Description: This course will look at a few events and movements in history that were met with controversy and a broad range of viewpoints. Through discussion and research students will determine their own viewpoint on the event after carefully weighing all sides.

Materials: Pen or pencil, notebook and an open mind!

Expectations: Participation! The class is what you make it. This will not be a debate class as much as it is a discussion class, and an opportunity to share informed perspectives with maturity and a willingness to hear others. A range of opinions is expected and welcomed! Be open to new ideas and respect your classmates who may disagree with you.

1/13: Iran Contra Affair: Part I

History lesson and discussion: Who was involved? What went down? Where and when did it take place? Why did it matter? Homework: Each student will have a different persona with a different viewpoint to take on, even if it is one that they don't agree with (more fun!).

1/20: Iran Contra Affair: Part II

In class, students will share what they found and we will discuss the lasting effects of this event.

1/27: Vietnam War: Part I (same format as previous topic)

2/3: Vietnam War: Part II (same format as previous topic)

2/10: Cuban Missile Crisis: Part I (same format as previous topic)

Mid Session Break

2/24: Cuban Missile Crisis: Part II (same format as previous topic)

3/3: Louisiana Purchase: Part I (same format as previous topic)

3/10: Louisiana Purchase: Part II (same format as previous topic)

3/17: TBD Project