**USA 1900-Now**

* Gilded Age (early 20th century)
  + America Industrialized - Rich get richer (Robber Barons), Poor get poorer
    - Progressive movement
      * Workers’ Rights
      * Women’s Right to Vote (19th Amendment)
      * Stop Monopolies (Trust - owning all of a business)
* US Imperialism in Latin America - Panama Canal, Spanish-American War ($$$)
* World War I (1914-1917)
  + Cause - MAIN, Franz Ferdinand Assassinated
  + US Isolationist
    - Join war after repeated U-Boat attacks by Germany & Zimmerman Note
  + US helps allied powers defeat Central Powers (similar to WWII)
  + Treaty of Versailles - Ends War
    - Blames and Punishes Germany (cause for WWII)
* Roaring 20s
  + Live Life, Spend Money -> Production increases
* The Great Depression
  + Over Production, Over Investment, Low Wages -> Economy Busts
    - No money, No Jobs - Disaster
      * USA - New Deal
        + Gov’t gets money to people
      * Europe - ask fascist dictators for help (lead to WWII)
        + Nazi Germany and Japan - military expansion
* World War II
  + US Isolationist - Hitler has conquered Europe & Japan - Asia
    - Japan attack Pearl Harbor (17/7/41) - US Joins war
      * D-Day - US and USSR (russia) eventually win the war
      * Island Hopping in Pacific
        + Drop 2 atomic bombs on Japan (did we have to?)
* Cold War (1947-1991)
  + USA & USSR go from allies to enemies
    - USSR - Communists and Totalitarian Gov’t
  + Never Directly fight
    - Marshall Plan - argue over rebuilding Europe
    - Truman Doctrine - Containment
    - US v. North Korea, US v. Vietnam, USSR v. Afghanistan
    - Cuban Missile Crisis
    - Space Race, Arms Race
      * USSR economy collapses - too much war spending
* Civil Rights Movement (1950s-1970)
  + Brown v. Board, Little Rock 9, Montgomery Bus Boycott, Greensboro 4, March on Washington, Bloody Sunday
  + Civil Rights Act of 1964, Voting Rights Act, Civil Rights Act of 1968
* 1980s - Conservative Movement
  + Smaller Federal Gov’t
    - Fixing poverty, discrimination, lack of opportunity - not govt's job
    - Reaganomics
      * Less Gov’t Spending = less taxes for you = more consumer spending = ECONOMY GROWS!
        + Problem - This hurts the poor - Economy Busts
* 1990s - Economy bounces back under Bill Clinton
  + Internet is invented - everyone invests in tech companies
    - Dot.Com Crash - Economy busts again
* 2000s - George Bush and the War on Terror
  + 9/11 - Al Qaeda attacks America
    - War in Afghanistan 2001 - Present
    - War in Iraq 2003 - 2011
  + 2008 Economy Collapses
    - almost another Great Depression
      * Gov’t saves the day by helping BANKS, not people
      * Cause: Housing Market
  + 2010 - Affordable Care Act (Obamacare)
    - Pro: Cannot be denied Health Insurance
    - Con:
      * Health Insurance companies can charge whatever they want
        + Legal monopoly!
      * Health Insurance companies can bully hospitals
      * Every citizen MUST buy health insurance
      * No one gets free health insurance
        + Not the President’s fault - Lobbyists!