

Advanced Placement United States History
Chapter Forty-One Study Guide pp. 979-1008.
The American Pageant

Before reading the chapter, be sure to preview your reading. Look at the headings, pictures, graphs, charts, maps, and cartoons. Read captions carefully. Take care to address “Key Terms” and “People to Know”. This strategy will aid you in your reading comprehension.

1. Describe George W. Bush as president.
2. Why did Bush establish a Council on Bioethics in 2001?
3. What controversies existed around Bush’s energy policy?
4. What happened on September 11, 2001? Who was responsible? What was the US response?
5. Why did the US invade Iraq?
6. What is the “axis of evil”?
7. What were the responses to the US presence in Iraq?
8. What happened in Iraq in April 2004?
9. What was the result of the cession of power to the interim Iraqi government?
10. What tensions existed in the US as Bush prepared to run for a second term?
11. What happened in the election of 2004?
12. Describe Bush’s second term domestic agenda.
13. What scandals marred Bush’s second term?
14. Why were the Democrats able to regain control in Congress in 2006?
15. Explain the presidential election of 2008.
16. Why did the US economy crash in 2008? Contrast it to the 1929 crash.
17. What was the result of the 2008 election?
18. Explain Barack Obama as president. What challenges did he face?
19. How did Obama attempt to reform healthcare?
20. How did Obama try to overhaul the nation’s financial regulatory system?
21. What is the “tea party”? What led to it’s emergence?
22. What happened in the midterm elections in 2010?
23. Explain Obama’s foreign policy.
24. What protest movement emerged in the fall of 2011? What did they want?
25. Explain the national debate over class, inequality, and the role of government in the economy.
26. Describe the election of 2012.
27. What legislative problems did Obama face in his second term?
28. How did Obama handle immigration reform?
29. Explain the Supreme Court’s venture into the realm of politics in 2013.
30. How did Obama use the NSA to spy on the American people? What revelations did this cause about the internet?
31. What happened in the midterm elections of 2014?