

Vietnam War Map Assignment

1. Title your paper: The Vietnam War
2. Draw an large outline map of Vietnam, including the division between North Vietnam & South Vietnam at the 17th Parallel.
3. Write in the names of neighboring countries – China, Laos, and Cambodia – where they are. (Don't draw the whole country; just label where each is.)
4. Label major bodies of water: South China Sea, Gulf of Tonkin, Gulf of Thailand.
5. Locate and label Hanoi and Saigon (use stars), and My Lai (use a dot).
6. Draw in the “demilitarized zone” (DMZ), and draw slanted lines through it.
7. Draw and label the Ho Chi Minh Trail.
8. LIGHTLY color North Vietnam and South Vietnam, using different colors.
9. Somewhere in the top half of your paper create a text box for North Vietnam, and in the bottom half of your paper create a text box for South Vietnam.

In EACH text box, include the following:

North/South Vietnam
Capital city Leader Names and nicknames for the people Which country/ies supported this side Political/economic system

10. Choose one or two quotes from someone on the side of North Vietnam, and one or two quotes from someone on the side of South Vietnam, and write them somewhere on your paper.
11. Create a list of 5 - 10 of the most important events in the course of the war. Put this list anywhere you can find room.
12. List the U.S. Presidents during the war years, including their political parties and their years in office.
13. Write a short paragraph explaining how and why 1968 can be considered a turning point in the war? What also happened in the U.S. in 1968, that makes it such a noteworthy year?
14. Write a paragraph summarizing the terms of the peace treaty that ended the war, and describe the closing events of the war.
15. Finally, write a paragraph about what you think might be the lessons/legacy of the Vietnam War. Include the number of American service personnel who died.

(Numbers 11 - 15 can be on the back of your paper, if there is no room on the front.)