

Causation in Period 9

Learning Objective 9.G: Explain the relative significance of the effects of change in the period after 1980 on American national identity.

Conservative Movement

KC-9.1: A newly ascendant conservative movement achieved several political and policy goals during the 1980s and continued to strongly influence public discourse in the following decades.

- Movement had begun by _____ in 1964 culminates with troubled decade in the 70's
- Reagan's victory leads to reduction in _____, cuts in _____ spending, rise of social _____
 - Victory due to conversion of _____ democrats

Conservative Beliefs

KC-9.1.1: Conservative beliefs regarding the need for traditional social values and a reduced role for government advanced in U.S. politics after 1980.

- Reagan and Bush add to conservative majority on SC → limits on abortion (_____, 1993) and affirmative action (_____ 2003), strengthen gun rights - _____ (2008) _____ (2010)
- Conservative policies → Reduced role for government in deregulation, welfare reduction

21st Century

KC-9.2: Moving into the 21st century, the nation experienced significant technological, economic, and demographic changes.

- Technological Change in the form of _____, smart phones, social media → new economic activity
- Decline of _____ leads to more service sector jobs → growing _____
 - _____ and Pandemic Recession hurts disproportionately
- Effects of _____ leads to growth of immigration again
 - Immigration levels rise to pr-1920s levels again ~12% of population is foreign born

Technological Developments

KC-9.2.1: New developments in science and technology enhanced the economy and transformed society, while manufacturing decreased.

- Free trade agreements led to factories moving abroad,
 - Manufacturing _____ due to outside competition
- Economy shifted to _____ and _____ economic activity
 - Jobs in _____ and _____ industries

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- Higher paying jobs require higher education - contributes to _____

Demographic Changes

KC-9.2.II: The U.S. population continued to undergo demographic shifts that had significant cultural and political consequences.

- Lower taxes, friendlier business environment → migration to South and West
- Increases population → increase significance in _____
- Increased Immigration → cultural _____, rise of new foods, language, _____
- Rise of Illegal Immigration → attempts at curbing with _____ (IRCA) 1986

End of the Cold War

KC-9.3: The end of the Cold War and new challenges to U.S. leadership forced the nation to redefine its foreign policy and role in the world.

- End of the Cold War led to beginning of
- dismantling weapons - _____ (1991) and _____ (1992) treaties with Russia
- US leads _____ in Afghanistan and _____, allies grow weary of intervention
- US seeks greater global cooperation, keeps leadership position in UN, NATO, _____

Foreign Policy

KC-9.3.I: The Reagan administration promoted an interventionist foreign policy that continued in later administrations, even after the end of the Cold War.

- Communism continued to spread, US sought to contain by propping up pro-US governments in Latin America ex. _____
- Sale of arms to _____ and aid to _____ in _____ to fight Marxist _____
 - Leads to 1986 _____: Sending aid to Contras had been outlawed in 1984.
- George H. W. Bush intervened in _____ after its invasion of _____

9/11 and Terrorism

KC-9.3.II: Following the attacks of September 11, 2001, U.S. foreign policy efforts focused on fighting terrorism around the world.

- 9/11 attacks led to a _____, began by overthrowing the _____ in Afghanistan
- Bush administration alleged Iraq had ties to terrorism, led to overthrow of _____
- Unrest and power vacuum from Arab Spring and US invasions led to growth of _____/in Levant (ISIS/ISIL)

Recap

- The Conservative movement came to power in 1980 with Reagan's election
- Conservatives generally wanted government's role to decrease
- Technological changes impacted the economy and demographic changes impacted culture and politics
- The US continued to be deeply involved in other countries as part of its Cold War policy and beyond
- The US had to find a new purpose in its foreign policy after the Cold War ended
- The War on Terror became a new foreign policy objective after the terrorist attacks of 9/11

Part II

Short Answer Questions

Answer the following in AT LEAST three sentences.

1. Explain the relative significance of the effects of change in the period after 1980 on American national identity.

Chelsea Manning Asks for a Pardon.

Retrieved from: <http://www.americanyawp.com/reader/30-the-recent-past/chelsea-manning-petitions-for-a-pardon-2013/>

The decisions that I made in 2010 were made out of a concern for my country and the world that we live in. Since the tragic events of 9/11, our country has been at war. We've been at war with an enemy that chooses not to meet us on any traditional battlefield, and due to this fact we've had to alter our methods of combating the risks posed to us and our way of life.

I initially agreed with these methods and chose to volunteer to help defend my country. It was not until I was in Iraq and reading secret military reports on a daily basis that I started to question the morality of what we were doing. It was at this time I realized in our efforts to meet this risk posed to us by the enemy, we have forgotten our humanity. We consciously elected to devalue human life both in Iraq and Afghanistan. When we engaged those that we perceived were the enemy, we sometimes killed innocent civilians. Whenever we killed innocent civilians, instead of accepting responsibility for our conduct, we elected to hide behind the veil of national security and classified information in order to avoid any public accountability.

In our zeal to kill the enemy, we internally debated the definition of torture. We held individuals at Guantanamo for years without due process. We inexplicably turned a blind eye to torture and executions by the Iraqi government. And we stomached countless other acts in the name of our war on terror.

Patriotism is often the cry extolled when morally questionable acts are advocated by those in power. When these cries of patriotism drown out any logically based dissension, it is usually an American soldier that is ordered to carry out some ill-conceived mission.

Our nation has had similar dark moments for the virtues of democracy—the Trail of Tears, the Dred Scott decision, McCarthyism, the Japanese-American internment camps—to name a few. I am confident that many of our actions since 9/11 will one day be viewed in a similar light.

As the late Howard Zinn once said, "There is not a flag large enough to cover the shame of killing innocent people."

I understand that my actions violated the law, and I regret if my actions hurt anyone or harmed the United States. It was never my intention to hurt anyone. I only wanted to help people. When I chose to disclose classified information, I did so out of a love for my country and a sense of duty to others.

If you deny my request for a pardon, I will serve my time knowing that sometimes you have to pay a heavy price to live in a free society. I will gladly pay that price if it means we could have country that is truly conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all women and men are created equal.

Source: Statement of Chelsea Manning, as Read by his Attorney, David Coombs, on August 21, 2013. Available via Democracy Now!

(https://www.democracynow.org/2013/8/21/bradley_manning_sometimes_you_have_to_pay_a_heavy_price_to_live_in_a_free_society).

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