

Grading the Presidents

Assign a grade of A, B, C, D, or F (+’s and –’s are allowed) to each of the following presidents – Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, and George H.W. Bush, and Bill Clinton. Write a paragraph on each President (no more than four sentences each) explaining why they earned the grade you gave them.

Richard Nixon – New Federalism, stagflation, Warren Burger, Southern Strategy, Moral Majority, Vietnam War, Watergate, détente, ABM treaty, SALT, China, Soviet Union, Yom Kippur War, Oil Embargo.

Jimmy Carter –Camp David Peace Accords, Stagflation, Oil Prices, Three Mile Island, Interest rates, Iranian Hostage Crisis, SALT II, Soviet Invasion of Afghanistan, “national malaise”

Ronald Reagan – “Reagan Revolution”, “Reaganomics”, Economy, Soviet Union, INF, Contras, Iran-Contra Affair, Grenada, Mikhail Gorbachev

George H.W. Bush – “Read my lips”, recession, Operation Desert Storm, Clarence Thomas

Bill Clinton – Healthcare Debate, Contract with America, Newt Gingrich, Welfare Reform, Yugoslavia, Scandals

Submit and be ready to discuss on Monday, May 11, 2014

20 points