1965-1970 Notes

**Vietnam War**

* U.S. military forces arrived in February 1961
* U.S. wanted to contain communism (North Vietnam communist, South was capitalist)
* August 1964-Tonkin Gulf Resolution
* Vietnamese fought guerrilla war against U.S.’s massive firepower
* February 1968-Tet Offensive-attacks on over 100 South Vietnamese towns
  + Breaks spirit of American public
* U.S. withdraws January, 1973

**Lunar Landing**

* July 1969
* “One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind”
* Boosts U.S. confidence and ends space race

**Woodstock**

* August 1969
* Peak of the counterculture movement
  + Protested Vietnam (Kent State shootings)
  + Fought against traditional norms
* Over 400,000 people attended

**MLK Assassinated**

* April 1968
* Memphis, Tennessee
* Assassinated by James Earl Ray
* Some conspiracy theories

**Malcolm X Assassinated**

* February 1965
* Assassinated in New York City by members of the Nation of Islam
* Had argued for black supremacy and a separate black culture