

■ Essential Question:

- Why was 1968 a year of turmoil in U.S. history?

■ CPUSH Agenda for Unit 13.9:

■ Clicker Questions

- “1968” notes
- Today’s HW: Unit 13 Organizer
- Unit 13 Test: Thursday, March 29



Civil rights violence
in Birmingham
(1963)

& Selma (1965)

with hope
Kennedy

—But, even
increased



1960s
anxieties

6 with
Cold War crises
in Berlin (1961)
& Cuba (1962)



1968: The Assassination of MLK



In 1968, Martin Luther King was

1968: The Assassination of MLK



MLK's death set off race riots in over 100

1968: The Assassination of MLK



The Black
Panthers

MLK's assassination marked a turning point in the civil rights movement from nonviolence to radicalism & "Black Power"

1968: The Assassination of Robert Kennedy



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In 1968, JFK's brother Robert Kennedy was assassinated when he ran for president

1968: The Assassination



RFK's death divided the Democratic Party
& led to a massive, violent protest at the
Chicago Democratic National Convention

1968: The Assassination of Robert Kennedy



Republican Richard Nixon took advantage of the divided Democrats & won the 1968

1968: Student Protest & Vietnam



1968 and 1969 were the brightest years for the anti-war protests and the search for peace in Vietnam. The protests were a direct result of the Vietnam War, which had been ongoing since 1955. The protests were a direct result of the Vietnam War, which had been ongoing since 1955.

Timeline: Civil Rights & the 1960s

- Examine the timeline on your notes
 - For each event, identify whether the event was an accomplishment or failure of the era from 1954 to 1968
 - Use the “scales” on the side of the timeline to show the degrees of significance for each event
 - When finished, answer the discussion questions & be prepared to discuss

Timeline Discussion Questions

- What words would you use to describe the era from 1954-1968?
- What patterns do you notice in terms of the amount of violence in this era?
- What role did TV play in the era?
- Is there a “turning point” in the era?
- Looking at the timeline, what predictions can you make about the 1970s?