1945 - 54:

* What actions had the Vietminh taken to resist the Japanese during WW2?
* Why did the French end up in control of Vietnam again - what was the american reasoning for this?
* How did the resistance to the French occupation grow?
* What happened at Dien Bien Phu?
* Who were the key figures involved?

1954 - 64:

* What were the terms of the Geneva agreement?
* How did Eisenhower and Kennedy support the South Vietnamese?
* Did the North get any help from China / USSR?
* What problems were there with Diem as a leader?
* What happened at the Gulf of TOnkin and how did this change things?

1964 - 68:

* What was Johnson’s reasoning when he put troops in?
* What tactics did the USA use initially / later on?
* How did the military commitment to Vietnam increase?
* How did the USSR / China aid North Vietnam?
* Who were the main actors involved in the conflict - ARVN/ NVA / VC / Ho etc.
* What happened on during the TET offensive?

1968 - 75:

* How did public opinion in the USA change towards the war, what were 3 factors that lead to this?
* What new tactics did Nixon use / how did he extend the war?
* Why did the Paris peace talks take so long?
* What was Vietnamisation and why did it fail?
* Why was this a failure for containment.