

The Vietnam War and Antiwar Protests

Ch 15 Lesson #3 – Read pages 251-253 (Part 2)

Before You Read

Look at the map on **251** and answer the following questions:

1. Were the places attacked in the Tet Offensive in North or South Vietnam?
2. Which two countries next to Vietnam did the North Vietnamese use to get weapons down the Ho Chi Minh Trail?
3. Look at the photo of the airplane, what type is the defoliant being sprayed?
4. Look at the photos of the on the other pages. Who opposed the war in Vietnam?

As You Read

What two steps did President Johnson take when he received power from the Congress to go into Vietnam?

Did the plan to drive the North Vietnamese from supporting the Viet Cong work?

What did the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong do during the Tet Offensive?

How many soldiers were in Vietnam by the end of 1969?

Why were Americans shocked, even though US troops put down the Tet offensive?

How were reports from the troops different than what the TV news showed the high officials describing the war?

Which groups were most involved in demonstrating against the war?

Why did many African Americans and Latinos oppose the Vietnam War?

What made President Johnson decide not to run for a second term for President?

Who did the Democrats nominate to run for President?

What happened at the Democratic National Convention?

Who did the Republicans nominate to run for President in 1968?

Who won the Presidential election in 1968?

Was it “landslide” victory or a close race?

After You Read

Would you have been a Vietnam anti-war protestor or would you have supported the US’s involvement in Vietnam?
