Vietnam War Class Project

The Vietnam War can be described as the most significant event within the Cold War. This was not simply an isolated event between the United States and Vietnam but in the eyes of the Vietnamese as a 20+ year struggle for Independence. In your research you may likely find the Vietnam War defined as the First Indochina War between the French and the Vietnamese where American involvement began and the Second Indochina War where the Vietnamese and Americans were direct adversaries, all while the world feared an escalation into a global conflict.

Using the 13b Vietnam PowerPoint and your additional research on the internet, you and two classmates will work together to create a presentation on this prolonged Vietnam conflict. Your presentation should include images you might find which should either support or be explained by the text of your content.

The organization of your presentation is entirely up to you, as is the program you use. (PowerPoint, Prezi, etc...Google Slides will be the easiest to work together on). I am not assigning a length requirement. Instead, your presentation must address the following to receive full credit:

1. The Presidents involved and their approaches to involvement in Vietnam. These include Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon.

2. Why was the United States involved in Vietnam?

3. Explain the involvement of the French.

4. How did Vietnam demonstrate the US strategy of containment?

5. What was the Tet Offensive and how was it a turning point in the war?

6. What challenges did the US face while fighting in Vietnam?

7. What was Nixon’s plan to end the war?

8. How did the American citizens feel about the war?

9. What lasting impacts did the war have on America?

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