

CHRONOLOGY

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| <p>1950 David Riesman publishes <i>The Lonely Crowd</i></p> <p>1952 Dwight D. Eisenhower is elected president</p> <p>1953 CIA installs Riza Shah Pahlavi as leader of Iran</p> <p>1954 Vietminh force French surrender at Dien Bien Phu
CIA overthrows government of Jacobo Arbenz Guzmán in Guatemala
United States explodes first hydrogen bomb</p> <p>1955 Jonas Salk pioneers vaccine for polio
James Dean stars in the movie <i>Rebel without a Cause</i></p> <p>1956 Federal Highway Act authorizes Interstate Highway System
Elvis Presley signs with RCA
Eisenhower is reelected
Allen Ginsberg publishes <i>Howl</i></p> <p>1957 Soviet Union launches Sputnik, first space-orbiting satellite
Jack Kerouac publishes <i>On the Road</i></p> | <p>1958 National Defense Education Act authorizes grants and loans to college students</p> <p>1959 Nikita Khrushchev visits the United States</p> <p>1960 Soviets shoot down U-2 spy plane
John F. Kennedy is elected president
Almost 90 percent of American homes have television</p> <p>1961 President Kennedy creates "Green Berets"
Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba fails</p> <p>1962 Cuban missile crisis brings the world to the brink of a superpower confrontation</p> <p>1963 Report by the Presidential Commission on the Status of Women documents ongoing discrimination
Betty Friedan publishes <i>The Feminine Mystique</i>
Limited Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty is signed
President Kennedy is assassinated</p> |
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