

250 Things Every AP Student Should Know About U.S. History

1. Jamestown, 1607
2. First Africans brought to Virginia, 1619
3. Mayflower Compact, 1620
4. Great Migration of Puritans to Massachusetts, 1630's and 1640's
5. Roger Williams established Rhode Island, 1636
6. William Penn established Pennsylvania, 1681
7. Salem Witch Trials, 1692
8. James Oglethorpe established Georgia, 1732
9. Jonathan Edwards sparked the Great Awakening, 1734
10. French and Indian War, 1754-63
11. Proclamation of 1763
12. Stamp Act, 1765-66
13. Declaratory Act, 1766
14. Townshend Acts, 1767
15. Boston Tea Party, 1773
16. First Continental Congress, 1774
17. Lexington and Concord, 1775
18. Second Continental Congress, 1775
19. Thomas Paine published Common Sense, 1776
20. Declaration of Independence, 1776
21. Treaty of Alliance, 1778
22. Battle of Yorktown, 1781
23. Articles of Confederation went into effect, 1781
24. Peace of Paris, 1783
25. Northwest Ordinances of 1784, 1785, 1787
26. Shay's Rebellion, 1786
27. Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, 1787
28. The Federalist Papers published, 1787-8
29. Creation of a new government, 1789
30. Alexander Hamilton appointed Secretary of the Treasury, 1789
31. Samuel Slater established the first textile mill, 1790
32. Bill of Rights, 1791
33. Cotton Gin, 1793
34. Washington's Proclamation of Neutrality, 1793
35. Whiskey Rebellion, 1794
36. Washington's Farewell Address, 1796
37. XYZ Affair, 1797-98
38. Alien & Sedition Acts, 1798
39. Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions, 1798-99
40. Election of 1800
41. Midnight judges, 1801
42. Marbury v. Madison, 1803
43. Louisiana Purchase, 1803
44. Lewis and Clark expedition, 1804-6
45. Trial of Aaron Burr, 1807
46. Jefferson's embargo, 1807
47. War of 1812, 1812-1815
48. Hartford Convention, 1814
49. Treaty of Ghent, 1814
50. Battle of New Orleans, 1815
51. The American System, 1815
52. Era of Good Feelings, 1815-24
53. McCulloch v. Maryland, 1819

54. Adams-Onis Treaty, 1819
55. Missouri Compromise, 1820
56. First Lowell factory opened, 1823
57. Monroe Doctrine, 1823
58. Election of 1824
59. Indian Removal Act, 1830
60. Maysville Road Veto, 1830
61. Nat Turner's revolt, 1831
62. Nullification Crisis, 1832-33
63. Jackson destroyed Bank of the United States, 1833-36
64. Panic of 1837
65. Horace Mann began school reform in Massachusetts, 1837
66. Trail of Tears, 1838
67. Election of 1840
68. Term "Manifest Destiny" first used, 1845
69. Annexation of Texas, 1845
70. Mexican-American War, 1846-48
71. Wilmot Proviso, 1846
72. Mormons migrated to Utah, 1847-48
73. Seneca Falls convention, 1848
74. Mexican Cession, 1848
75. California gold rush, 1849
76. Compromise of 1850
77. Harriet Beecher Stowe published Uncle Tom's Cabin, 1852
78. Kansas-Nebraska Act, 1854
79. Creation of the Republican Party, 1854
80. Dred Scot v. Sandford, 1857
81. Lincoln-Douglas debates, 1858
82. John Brown's raid, 1859
83. Election of 1860
84. Southern secession, 1860-61
85. Fort Sumter, 1861
86. Homestead Act, 1862
87. Morrill Land-Grant Act, 1862
88. Emancipation Proclamation, 1863
89. Battles of Vicksburg and Gettysburg, 1863
90. Appomattox Court House, 1865
91. Abraham Lincoln assassination, 1865
92. Freedman's Bureau, 1865
93. 13th Amendment, 1865
94. Purchase of Alaska, 1867
95. Radical Reconstruction began, 1867
96. Andrew Johnson impeachment trial, 1868
97. 14th Amendment, 1868
98. Transcontinental railroad completed, 1869
99. Standard Oil created, 1870
100. Knights of Labor created, 1869
101. Wyoming gave women right to vote, 1870
102. Battle of Little Big Horn, 1876
103. Election of 1876
104. Great Railroad Strike, 1877
105. Chief Joseph surrendered, 1877
106. James Garfield assassinated, 1881
107. Booker T. Washington founded Tuskegee Institute, 1881

108. Chinese Exclusion Act, 1882
109. Pendelton Civil Service Act, 1883
110. Haymarket Square Riot, 1886
111. American Federation of Labor created, 1886
112. Dawes Severalty Act, 1887
113. Jane Addams founded Hull House, 1887
114. The "Gospel of Wealth" 1889
115. Jacob Riis published How the Other Half Lives, 1890
116. Sherman Anti-Trust Act, 1890
117. Wounded Knee massacre, 1890
118. Ellis Island opened, 1892
119. Homestead Strike, 1892
120. Panic of 1893
121. Pullman Strike, 1894
122. Plessy v. Ferguson, 1896
123. Election of 1896
124. Spanish-American War, 1898
125. Open Door policy, 1899
126. Filipino rebellion, 1899-1901
127. William McKinley assassinated, 1901
128. Theodore Roosevelt mediated coal miner's strike, 1902
129. Wright Brothers flew first airplane, 1903
130. Northern Securities Company broken up, 1904
131. Roosevelt Corollary, 1904
132. Hay-Bunau-Varilla Treaty, 1904
133. Upton Sinclair published The Jungle, 1906
134. Model T introduced, 1908
135. NAACP organized, 1909
136. Election of 1912
137. 16th Amendment, 1913
138. 17th Amendment, 1913
139. Federal Reserve System created, 1913
140. Clayton Anti-Trust Act, 1914
141. Birth of a Nation, 1915
142. Pancho Villa's raid, 1916
143. United States entered WWI, 1917
144. The Fourteen Points, 1918
145. 18th Amendment, 1919
146. Versailles Treaty defeated, 1919
147. Palmer Raids, 1920
148. 19th Amendment, 1920
149. National Origin Act, 1924
150. Teapot Dome Scandal, 1923-24
151. Scopes Trial, 1925
152. KKK marched on Washington, 1925
153. Charles Lindbergh's flight, 1927
154. Sacco and Vanzetti executed, 1927
155. The Jazz Singer, 1927
156. Stock Market crash, 1929
157. Hawley-Smoot Tariff, 1930
158. Stimson Doctrine, 1932
159. Bonus march, 1932
160. First New Deal, 1933
161. Good Neighbor Policy, 1933
162. Schechter v. the United States, 1935

163. Dust Bowl, 1935
164. Second New Deal, 1935
165. Wagner Act, 1935
166. Social Security Act, 1935
167. Huey Long assassinated, 1935
168. Congress of Industrial Organization created, 1935
169. FDR's court-packing plan, 1937
170. Roosevelt recession, 1937-38
171. Lend-Lease Act, 1940
172. Atlantic Charter, 1941
173. Pearl Harbor, 1941
174. Japanese-American internment, 1942
175. Normandy invasion, 1944
176. G.I. Bill, 1944
177. Yalta Conference, 1945
178. Potsdam Conference, 1945
179. Hiroshima and Nagasaki, 1945
180. "Iron Curtain" speech, 1946
181. Truman Doctrine, 1947
182. Marshall Plan, 1947
183. Taft-Hartley Act, 1947
184. Brooklyn Dodgers sign Jackie Robinson, 1947
185. National Security Act, 1947
186. Berlin Airlift, 1948
187. Election of 1948
188. NATO formed, 1949
189. Joseph McCarthy attacked the State Department, 1950
190. Korean War, 1950-1953
191. Julius and Ethel Rosenberg executed, 1953
192. Brown v. Board of Education, 1954
193. Geneva Accords, 1954
194. Joseph McCarthy condemned for misconduct, 1954
195. Montgomery bus boycott, 1955-56
196. Interstate Highway Act, 1956
197. Integration of Little Rock H.S., 1957
198. Sputnik, 1957
199. U-2 aircraft shot down by USSR, 1960
200. Greensboro sit-ins, 1960
201. Eisenhower's Farewell Address, 1961
202. Bay of Pigs, 1961
203. Freedom Riders, 1961
204. Peace Corps, 1961
205. Cuban Missile Crises, 1962
206. Betty Friedan published The Feminine Mystique, 1963
207. March of Washington, 1963
208. John F. Kennedy assassinated, 1963
209. The Great Society, 1964-65
210. Civil Rights Act of 1964
211. Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, 1964
212. Malcolm X assassinated, 1965
213. Vietnam War escalated, 1965
214. Voting Rights Act, 1965
215. Watts riots, 1965
216. Miranda v. State of Arizona, 1966
217. Tet Offensive, 1968
218. Johnson withdrew from presidential race, 1968

219. Martin Luther King, Jr. assassinated, 1968
220. Robert Kennedy assassinated, 1968
221. Anti-war riots at the Chicago Democratic Convention, 1968
222. AIM created, 1968
223. Election of 1968
224. Neil Armstrong walked on moon, 1969
225. Vietnamization, 1969
226. My Lai massacre made public, 1969
227. Kent State, 1970
228. Pentagon Papers, 1971
229. Nixon visited China, 1972
230. Watergate break-in, 1972
231. SALT I and the policy of detention, 1972
232. Roe v. Wade, 1973
233. OPEC oil embargo, 1973
234. Nixon resigned, 1974
235. Panama Canal Treaty, 1977
236. Camp David Accords, 1979
237. Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan, 1979
238. Iranian hostage crises, 1979-81
239. Reaganomics began, 1981
240. Beirut embassy bombed, 1983
241. Invasion of Grenada, 1983
242. Iran-Contra scandal, 1987
243. INF Treaty, 1988
244. Berlin Wall torn down, 1989
245. Persian Gulf War, 1991
246. Soviet Union dissolved, 1991
247. Oklahoma City bombing, 1995
248. Balanced Budget Agreement passed, 1997
249. Clinton impeachment trial, 1999
250. September 11th terrorist attacks, 2001