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covering the thirty years between 1945 and 1975 in country the illustrated encyclopedia of the vietnam war is a balanced comprehensive a to z encyclopedia on the conflict that includes definitive coverage of all aspects of the war both on the home front and in country

the vietnam war is an outstanding collection of primary documents related to america s conflict in vietnam which includes a balance of original american and vietnamese perspectives providing a uniquely varied range of insights into both american and vietnamese experiences includes substantial non american content including many original english translations of vietnamese authored texts which showcase the diversity and complexity of vietnamese experiences during the war contains original american documents germane to the continuing debates about the causes consequences and morality of the us intervention incorporates personal histories of individual americans and vietnamese introductory headnotes place each document in context features a range of non textual documents including iconic photographs and political cartoons

this is the definitive story of one of the longest and most controversial conflicts in us history created in association with the smithsonian institution this authoritative history of the vietnam war examines the key figures and events of the conflict and its lasting effects on the world this history book for adults combines compelling text with maps and archive photography a short history of the vietnam war is an all encompassing showcase of every aspect of the fighting and the wider political landscape from the struggle for civil rights to the treatment of prisoners inside the pages of this retelling of america s bloodiest conflict you ll discover vivid moving and informative details of the vietnam war including eyewitness accounts and iconic photographs a clear and compelling account of the conflict in short self contained events from the battle of ia drang to the tet offensive and the khmer rouge biography spreads highlighting major military and political

figures features on everyday life in the war offering additional context stunning image spreads displaying weapons spy gear and other equipment that defined the war maps and feature boxes provide additional information on major events during the conflict detailed descriptions of events from operation passage to freedom to the evacuation of the us embassy in saigon are brought to life with eyewitness accounts and iconic photographs gallery pages present collections of infantry weapons artillery aircraft and armoured vehicles while diagrams and maps show exactly how battles and decisive moments unfolded and biographical entries provide essential insight into the roles of significant individuals from henry kissinger to general thieu the perfect read for the military history enthusiast a short history of the vietnam war is a stirring visual record of the suffering sacrifice and heroism that occurred in america s bloodiest ever conflicts

the vietnam war remains a topic of extraordinary interest not least because of striking parallels between that conflict and more recent fighting in the middle east in the vietnam war mark atwood lawrence draws upon the latest research in archives around the world to offer readers a superb account of a key moment in u s as well as global history while focusing on american involvement between 1965 and 1975 lawrence offers an unprecedentedly complete picture of all sides of the war notably by examining the motives that drove the vietnamese communists and their foreign allies moreover the book carefully considers both the long and short term origins of the war lawrence examines the rise of vietnamese communism in the early twentieth century and reveals how cold war anxieties of the 1940s and 1950s set the united states on the road to intervention of course the heart of the book covers the american war ranging from the overthrow of south vietnamese president ngo dinh diem to the impact of the tet offensive on american public opinion lyndon johnson s withdrawal from the 1968 presidential race richard nixon s expansion of the war into cambodia and laos and the problematic peace agreement of 1973 which ended american military involvement finally the book explores the complex aftermath of the war its enduring legacy in american books film and political debate as well as vietnam s struggles with severe social and economic problems a compact and authoritative primer on an intensely relevant topic this well researched and engaging volume offers an invaluable overview of the vietnam war

now in its second edition this comprehensive study of the vietnam war sheds more light on the longest and one of the most controversial conflicts in u s history the vietnam war lasted more than a decade was the longest war in u s history and cost the lives of nearly 60 000 american soldiers as well as millions of vietnamese many of whom were uninvolved civilians the lessons learned from this tragic conflict continue to have great relevance in today s world now in its second edition the encyclopedia of the vietnam war a political social and military history adds an entire additional volume of entries to the already exhaustive first edition making it the most comprehensive reference available about one of the most controversial events in u s history written to provide multidimensional perspectives into the conflict it covers not only the american experience in vietnam but also the entire scope of vietnamese history including the french experience and the indochina war as well as the origins of the conflict how the united states became involved and the extensive aftermath of this prolonged war it also provides the most complete and accurate order of battle ever published based upon data compiled from vietnamese sources this latest release delivers even more of what readers have come to expect from the editorship of spencer c tucker and the military history experts at abc clio

the vietnam war examines the conflict from its origins through to 1975 and north vietnam s victory this new revised edition is completely up to date with current academic debates and includes new source material

mitchell hall explores all the key elements of the conflict including us motivations for entering the war and the military strategies employed the role of the media the rise of domestic opposition the war's impact in the us and vietnam mitchell hall provides numerous insights into the political decisions of the vietnamese communists and vietnam's relations with other major powers particularly china and the soviet union the main text is supported by a comprehensive documents section and a range of study tools including a chronology of events who's who a glossary of terms and a further reading section concise yet thorough the book provides students with an accessible and stimulating introduction to the war

learn how the united states ended up fighting for twenty years in a remote country on the other side of the world the vietnam war was as much a part of the tumultuous sixties as flower power and the civil rights movement five us presidents were convinced that american troops could end a war in the small divided country of vietnam and stop communism from spreading in southeast asia but they were wrong and the result was the death of 58 000 american troops presenting all sides of a complicated and tragic chapter in recent history jim o connor explains why the us got involved what the human cost was and how defeat in vietnam left a lasting scar on america

the vietnam war endured for thirty years cost billions of dollars and resulted in thousands of vietnamese french and american deaths massive american military intervention in vietnam embroiled america in protests placed enormous strains on the western alliance and altered u.s. relations with the soviet union and china david l anderson's concise overview critiques u.s. errors in magnifying the strategic importance of south east asia in the cold war and in underestimating the strength of the vietnamese communist movement

one of america's leading intellectuals presents a startling thesis sure to provoke controversy that the vietnam war was the right war at the right time with the wrong military strategy

an illustrated documentary of the vietnam war from the establishment of french rule to the secret operations in laos and cambodia and the fall of saigon

this revised and updated guide to the vietnam war charts the unforgettable story of america's longest and most controversial conflict 50 years on from its end hundreds of insightful images and a compelling narrative combine to chronicle this catastrophic war from 1955 the communist government of north vietnam fought against south vietnam and its main ally the us over the course of two decades of hostility the number of casualties reached an incomprehensible three million people detailed descriptions of every episode including operation passage to freedom and the evacuation of the american embassy in saigon tell the stories in iconic photographs and eyewitness accounts discover the real people behind the conflict with gripping biographies of key figures including henry kissinger general thieu president nixon and pol pot this incredible visual record is supported by locator maps user friendly timelines archive photography and evocative quotes giving readers an all encompassing experience the vietnam war is an essential historic reference to help humanity learn the lessons of suffering and sacrifice from one of the bloodiest conflicts of the 20th century

during 1965 the vietnam war was transformed into an american war escalation brought the deployment of increasing numbers of united states ground troops and a slowly expanding air campaign against north vietnam yet the war was limited in more senses than one it was not allowed either by president johnson or by the leaders of the soviet union and china to lead to a wider confrontation in other parts of the world not even as a big unit war on the ground to spread beyond the borders of

vietnam

more than three decades after the final withdrawal of american troops from southeast asia the legacy of the vietnam war continues to influence political military and cultural discourse journalists politicians scholars pundits and others have used the conflict to analyze each of america s subsequent military engagements many americans have observed that vietnam era terms such as cut and run quagmire and hearts and minds are ubiquitous once again as comparisons between u s involvement in iraq and in vietnam seem increasingly appropriate because of its persistent significance the vietnam war era continues to inspire vibrant historical inquiry the eminent scholars featured in the war that never ends offer fresh and insightful perspectives on the continuing relevance of the vietnam war from the homefront to humping in the boonies and from the great halls of political authority to the gritty hotbeds of oppositional activism the contributors assert that the vietnam war is central to understanding the politics of the cold war the social movements of the late twentieth century the lasting effects of colonialism the current direction of american foreign policy and the ongoing economic development in southeast asia the seventeen essays break new ground on questions relating to gender religion ideology strategy and public opinion and the book gives equal emphasis to vietnamese and american perspectives on the grueling conflict the contributors examine such phenomena as the role of women in revolutionary organizations the peace movements inspired by buddhism and ho chi minh s successful adaptation of marxism to local cultures the war that never ends explores both the antiwar movement and the experiences of infantrymen on the front lines of battle as well as the media s controversial coverage of america s involvement in the war the war that never ends sheds new light on the evolving historical meanings of the vietnam war its enduring influence and its potential to influence future political and military decision making in times of peace as well as war

in good faith is the first of a two volume accessible narrative history of america s involvement in indochina from the end of world war ii to the fall of saigon in 1975 the books chart the course of america s engagement with the region from its initially hesitant support for french indochina through the advisory missions following the 1954 geneva accords then on to the covert war promoted in the kennedy years the escalation to total war in the johnson era and finally to the liquidation of the american war under nixon drawing on the latest research unavailable to the authors of the classic vietnam histories in good faith tells the story from the japanese surrender in 1945 through america s involvement in the french indochina war and the initial advisory missions that followed it describes how these missions gradually grew in both scope and scale and how america became ever more committed to the region especially following the gulf of tonkin incident in 1964 which led to the first bombing missions over north vietnam it finishes at the climax of one of those operations rolling thunder and just prior to the first commitment of us ground forces to the war in vietnam in the spring of 1965 examining in depth both the events and the key figures of the conflict this is a definitive new history of american engagement in vietnam

includes pictures includes a bibliography for further reading the vietnam war could have been called a comedy of errors if the consequences weren t so deadly and tragic in 1951 while war was raging in korea the united states began signing defense pacts with nations in the pacific intending to create alliances that would contain the spread of communism as the korean war was winding down america joined the southeast asia treaty organization pledging to defend several nations in the region from communist aggression one of those nations was south vietnam before the vietnam war most americans would have been hard pressed to locate vietnam on a map south vietnamese president diem s regime was extremely unpopular and war broke out between communist north

vietnam and south vietnam around the end of the 1950s kennedy s administration tried to prop up the south vietnamese with training and assistance but the south vietnamese military was feeble a month before his death kennedy signed a presidential directive withdrawing 1 000 american personnel and shortly after kennedy s assassination new president lyndon b johnson reversed course instead opting to expand american assistance to south vietnam over the next few years the american military commitment to south vietnam grew dramatically and the war effort became both deeper and more complex the strategy included parallel efforts to strengthen the economic and political foundations of the south vietnamese regime to root out the viet cong guerrilla insurgency in the south combat the more conventional north vietnamese army nva near the demilitarized zone between north and south and bomb military and industrial targets in north vietnam itself in public american military officials and members of the johnson administration stressed their tactical successes and offered rosy predictions speaking before the national press club in november 1967 general westmoreland claimed i have never been more encouraged in the four years that i have been in vietnam we are making real progress i am absolutely certain that whereas in 1965 the enemy was winning today he is certainly losing ripe for the plucking by north vietnam the country of south vietnam found itself in an unenviable position in 1974 american forces rapidly withdrew leaving only a few advisers and other personnel in place of the large forces deployed in the southeast asian theater until recently president gerald ford and his staff completely outmatched at the negotiations during the american retreat parleyed from a position of weakness the north vietnamese gave essentially no useful concessions since they had no reason to and they secured an american withdrawal without needing to remove their own advance units from south vietnamese territory in return naturally these facts reflected themselves in the morale of the two sides south vietnamese morale collapsed to catastrophic levels and remained there though the arvn army of the republic of vietnam forces occasionally managed gallant even heroic stands the north vietnamese by contrast felt confident of victory from the highest to the lowest ranks a mix of marxist zeal and barely expressed but very real nationalism strengthened the resolve of the north vietnamese s commanders and soldiers as well a haunting fear remained among the north vietnamese that the americans would return but each fresh success with no american response made this concern recede further into the background as 1975 dawned the nva prepared for a final series of campaigns to conquer the territory of south vietnam leading to a chain of events that culminated with the fall of saigon and some of the most infamous footage in 20th century america s history the fall of saigon the history of the battle for south vietnam s capital and the end of the vietnam war examines how the war ended

considers the various phases of the conflict in vietnam from french rule to the u s military role details special weapons and techniques used

prominent american historian robert d schulzinger sheds light on how deeply etched memories of the devastating conflict in vietnam have altered america s political social and cultural landscape schulzinger examines the impact of the war from many angles he ranges from the heated controversy over soldiers who were missing in action to the influx of over a million vietnam refugees into the us to the many ways the war has continued to be fought in books and films and perhaps most important the power of the vietnam war as a metaphor influencing foreign policy in places like iraq

there are many lessons to be learned from the vietnam war foremost among them being that war as an instrument of peace is not viable solheim provides a full picture of the war era at home and in southeast asia by combining historical narrative with biographical profiles and personal reflections he allows the story to unfold in multiple layers as seen through the eyes of those who were involved on all sides of the conflict

the north vietnamese the south vietnamese the american generals and politicians and the american war correspondents and antiwar protestors with this book solheim explores and hopes to answer vital questions about the american war in vietnam what is the meaning and significance of the vietnam war for americans today what lessons have americans learned from our defeat and how should we apply that knowledge in implementing current foreign policy who or what is to be blamed for the loss in vietnam how can we heal our nation from the vietnam war syndrome how do we fit the vietnam war era into our greater historical narrative

hundreds of authentic photographs combine with maps diagrams and text to capture the full scope of the vietnam conflict from the french withdrawal to the fall of saigon

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