**PENTAGON PAPERS:**

1. What are the Pentagon Papers?\*\*\*
2. Who is responsible for releasing the Pentagon Papers to the American public? Why did he do this?
3. Why would the federal government attempt to block the papers from being released? Do you believe their claim that it was for the purpose of national security?
4. According to the first newspaper clipping, how long had been the United States been involved in Vietnam?
5. According to the second newspaper clipping, how did the court rule on the legality of releasing the papers?
6. How do you believe the Pentagon Papers affected public opinion of American involvement in Vietnam on the Homefront?\*\*\*

**Draft:**

1. When was the peak of United States involvement in Vietnam?
2. How many men were drafted during the Vietnam era?
3. Why is Vietnam considered a working class man’s war?\*\*\*
4. How did young men avoid being drafted?\*\*\*
5. What was the average age of men drafted during the Vietnam era? How did this lead to the passing of the 26th amendment?
6. According to the graphic, how did many Americans react to the draft on the Homefront?

**MY LAI MASSACRE:**

1. What happened at My Lai in March of 1968?\*\*\*
2. In the first text excerpt how did William Calley attempt to justify his actions at My Lai? How do you react to Calley’s justification?
3. According to the account of Thompson, how is he responded to when he attempted to provide assistance to the civilians in the ditch?
4. What is your reaction to the front page photo in the first newspaper clipping?
5. According to the second newspaper clipping, how many civilians were killed at My Lai?
6. How do you believe the My Lai Massacre affected public opinion of American involvement in Vietnam on the Homefront?\*\*\*

**KENT STATE MASSACRE:**

1. What group opened fire on a crowd of protesters at Kent State University?\*\*\*
2. How many students were killed during the incident? How many were wounded?\*\*\*
3. Read Nixon’s quote about the incident. What is your reaction to the quote? Do you agree with Nixon?
4. Look at the pictures on the headlines of the Life magazine cover and the Newspaper clipping. What is your reaction to the photos?
5. According to the third picture (flyer), how did students react to the incident at Kent State?
6. How do you believe the Kent State Massacre affected public opinion of American involvement in Vietnam on the Homefront?\*\*\*

**WALTER CRONKITE:**

1. Who is Walter Cronkite? What television channel did he work for?\*\*\*
2. Why is Walter Cronkite an important character in the perception of the Vietnam War on the home front?
3. What did General Creighton Abrams tell Walter Cronkite following the Tet Offensive?
4. During his television report in February of 1968, how did Cronkite anticipate the war would end? What parting advise did he give to the American leadership in Vietnam?
5. How did Lyndon B. Johnson react to Cronkite’s report on the state of the Vietnam War?

1. How do you believe Walter Cronkite and television affected public opinion of American involvement in Vietnam on the Homefront?\*\*\*