Guided Reading: The Nixon Administration

A. As you read about the Nixon administration, take notes to describe President Nixon’s policies toward the problems facing him.

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| Problems | Policies |
| 1. Size and power of the federal governments |  |
| 1. Inefficiency of the welfare system |  |
| 1. Vietnam War and domestic Disorder |  |
| 1. Nixon’s reelection |  |
| 1. Liberalism of Supreme Court Justices |  |
| 1. Stagflation and Recession |  |
| 1. U.S.- China Relations |  |
| 8.U.S.- Soviet Relations |  |

B. Explain the significance of realpolitik and OPEC during the Nixon years.

**Finding Main Ideas** The following questions deal with counterculture movement. Answer them in the space provided.

1. In what ways did Nixon’s New Federalism both enhance and hurt federal social programs?
2. What was President Nixon’s Southern strategy?
3. Did Richard Nixon help or hinder the civil rights movement? Explain.
4. What steps did President Nixon take against stagflation? What were the results?
5. What effect did realpolitik have on Cold War tensions between the United States and Soviet Union?
6. How did Richard Nixon put the philosophy of realpolitik into action?

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Henry Kissenger

1. Do you think a democracy should be totally open or can it maintain secrecy?

2. Anyone, Kissinger once said, can criticize an agreement between nations on the grounds that the other nation gains something. The key to a good agreement is what your own nation gains in return. Do you agree or disagree? Explain.

3. Should newspapers have been allowed to publish secret information? Explain.