

Study Guide—Part II

1. List four outcomes of the Geneva Conference.

a.

b.

c.

d.

2. Washington viewed Diem as the only _____ to _____ control over all of _____. With strong anti-_____ and anti-_____ credentials, Diem also had the backing of the small but powerful _____ minority in South Vietnam.

3. Why did the United States and Diem ignore the provisions in the Geneva Accords that called for national elections in 1956? Explain your answer.

4. Explain the following quotation from the Taylor-Rostow report in your own words. "If Vietnam goes, it will be exceedingly difficult if not impossible to hold Southeast Asia."

Name: _____

5. Why did the United States become disillusioned with the Diem government in the early 1960s?

6. In August 1963, Ambassador Lodge was instructed to tell the generals dissatisfied with Diem that the United States would condone a coup so long as the _____ continued.

7. President Johnson is described in the reading as a master of domestic politics. Explain this idea. What effect did it have on his policy towards Vietnam?

8. The assassination of Diem by a military government in Saigon brought about a significant turn around in the war effort. TRUE or FALSE. List three things that support your answer.

a.

b.

c.

9. In 1964, the United States was spending more than \$_____ per day in Vietnam and _____ Americans were being killed per week in battle.

