**20 Questions: Why, how and with what results did the USA get out of Vietnam?**

**When President Richard Nixon became president in January 1969, there were around half a million Us soldiers in Vietnam. despite having been a notable Cold Warrior, Nixon got the USA out of Vietnam, although the withdrawal was slow and painful.**

**Activity**: Use p.116-120 to Answer these questions in full sentences. If you find it useful, you can create **Cornell method** notes summarizing your answers instead.

1. What did **Vietnamization** involve?
2. What does the phrase ‘peace with honor’ mean and how did President Nixon hope to achieve it?
3. Which two other countries was **Vietnamization** dependent on? What is surprising about the answer to this question?
4. What were the two main aims of President Nixon’s peace settlement?
5. What did Nixon hope to achieve through the secret bombing of the Ho Chi Minh trail in 1969?
6. What did **linkage** involve? Why might it be considered controversial?
7. How many casualties did the US suffer in the Cambodian offensive, January 1970?
8. What was the impact of the Cambodian offensive on the US war effort? Give at least two examples.
9. How successful was the Cambodian Offensive for Nixon and the US? Explain your answer.
10. Identify **three significant setbacks** suffered by President Nixon’s policies between 1971 and 1972.
11. Identify **three significant successes** achieved by president Nixon’s policies between 1971 and 1972.
12. What **five factors** encouraged the Communist government in Hanoi to begin engaging in President Nixon’s peace settlement?
13. What concession did Henry Kissinger, Richard Nixon’s National Security Advisor, offer to north Vietnam in late 1972?
14. Why did Richard Nixon initially reject this concession and what was his response in November 1972?
15. What did the newspapers accuse President Nixon of doing as a result of this unexpected and unhelpful response?
16. When were the Paris Peace Accords signed?
17. What were the consequences of the Paris Peace Accords for the USA?
18. What were the consequences of the Paris Peace Accords for North Vietnam?
19. What were the consequences of the Paris Peace Accords for South Vietnam?
20. How far was Richard Nixon successful in achieving his aim of securing “peace with honour” in Vietnam? Explain your answer.