1960s Cold War DBQ Essay

Prompt:

Analyze how Presidents Kennedy and Johnson had different Cold War Foreign Policy than Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.

Primary Source Documents (no more guiding questions.... Analyze on your own!):

Document 1

We choose to go to the moon. We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard.

John F. Kennedy
Sept. 12, 1962

Document 2

In March 1961, President Kennedy proposed a ten-year plan for Latin America:

...we propose to complete the revolution of the Americas, to build a hemisphere where all men can hope for a suitable standard of living and all can live out their lives in dignity and in freedom. To achieve this goal political freedom must accompany material progress...Let us once again transform the American Continent into a vast crucible of revolutionary ideas and efforts, a tribute to the power of the creative energies of free men and women, an example to all the world that liberty and progress walk hand in hand. Let us once again awaken our American revolution until it guides the struggles of people everywhere-not with an imperialism of force or fear but the rule of courage and freedom and hope for the future of man.

Document 3

"Unfortunately, many Americans live on the outskirts of hope -- some because of their poverty, and some because of their color, and all too many because of both. Our task is to help replace their despair with opportunity."

-- President Lyndon B. Johnson, State of the Union, 1964
DBQ Essay –

You are going to write an analytical essay that also uses information that you learned in the documents used above. This is called a document-based essay, or a “DBQ”

*Combine the information in these documents with the knowledge you learned in the unit to answer the essay question. Your essay must use both information from the documents AND outside information.*

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**Help?**
- Make sure, in your analysis, to use:
  - specific examples and historical terms of EACH president’s decisions
  - Also, make sure to distinguish how these policies caused changes at home

*Do not write in first person in a DBQ…. ever. Do not say “I think that”*

Remember, you must cite the documents above and use facts and knowledge you learned from completing the lessons or in online research. Cite your documents above and other sources using MLA format. *When using info from the docs, make sure to cite them. (ex- Doc 1)*

**Type your essay here:**