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George W. Bush & Barack Obama Notes #2:

George W. Bush - The Decider



- George Walker Bush was born in Connecticut but raised in Texas
- He earned a B.A. from Yale and attended Harvard - the only president to hold an M.B.A.
- Worked in the Texas oil business
- Bought part of the Texas Rangers baseball team
- Governor of Texas
- Named Time's Magazine's Man of the Year TWICE

2000 Election



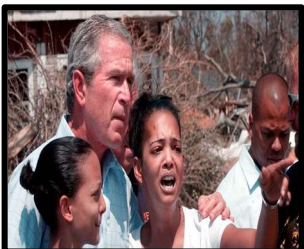
- Al Gore won the _____ vote; Bush won the _____ vote
- Gore called for a _____ of Florida votes, which **would have gotten him the electoral votes he needed** if the recount had gone his way
- The Supreme Court _____ the recount

No Child Left Behind Act



- The main law for K-12 general education in the U.S. from 2002-2015
- Required all states to _____ **all students in English and Math** each year from 3rd-8th grade
- Ensure all students were receiving a good education
 - **Hold states** _____ for how kids learned & achieved

Hurricane Katrina



- In August 2005, **Katrina devastated the city of New Orleans; major flooding due to broken _____ and the city's low elevation**
- President Bush was _____ after appointing incompetent people to _____
 - He was also criticized for having been slow to respond
- Katrina is seen by political analysts as the **tipping point** of Bush's presidential approval

9/11



- On September 11, 2001 **terrorists belonging to the Muslim extremist group** _____, hijacked four planes
 - Flew 2 plans into the World Trade Center
 - 1 into the Pentagon
 - United Airlines Flight 93 crashed down in a field in rural Pennsylvania, never reaching its destination
- **3,000+ people died, worst attack on U.S. soil**
- **Americans will unite like never before**

9/11 Con't



- _____ and Al Qaeda **took credit for the attacks**, sheltered by the _____ in Afghanistan
 - **Refused to surrender Bin Laden to the U.S.**

Effects of 9/11





- **USA Patriot Act**
 - Intended to make it easier for law enforcement to _____ acts of _____
 - ****VERY controversial****
 - Allowing the government to **more easily get around** _____ **Amendment rights** (against illegal searches)

Effects of 9/11 Con't



- **Global War On Terror:**
 - Against nations that harbor _____ (Afghanistan)
- **TSA:**
 - Transportation Security Agency - security at _____
- **Department of Homeland Security:**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aimed at securing U.S. from all _____
<p>Operation Enduring Freedom - Afghanistan War</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On October 7, 2001, U.S. forces (along with a coalition of allies) _____ Afghanistan ● The operation had 3 goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To _____ Al Qaeda ○ To capture or kill Osama Bin Laden ○ To _____ the Taliban regime from power ● Removing the Taliban from official power was achieved quickly, as was _____ Al Qaeda's ability to operate in Afghanistan
<p>Iraqi invasion</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fear that Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction (WMDS) - biological, chemical, & nuclear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Used them on the Kurds ● Refused to let _____ search Iraq for WMDS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Later searched but none found - did he move and hide them? ● Bush gave Hussein _____ hours to leave Iraq or face _____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hussein rejected the ultimatum and coalition forces took action
<p>Operation Iraqi Freedom</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On March 10, 2003, the U.S. and a coalition of over 30 allied countries _____ Iraq ● Hussein's dictatorship quickly _____ ● Iraqi national government - 1st Arab _____



in Middle East

- Hussein was captured (2003) - placed on trial for crimes against humanity and was executed in 2006

Bush Leaves Office



- Leaves with **low approval ratings**
- U.S. is in a _____
- Hurricane Katrina aftermath
- Hunt of Osama Bin Laden
 - However, he continues humanitarian efforts

Barack Obama - 44th President



- In 2009, Barack Obama became the **first African-American President** of the United States, being elected in 2008
- Before becoming president, Obama served as the **first black president of the Harvard** _____
- An **Illinois State Senator** for 7 years & a **U.S. Senator** for 3 years

Healthcare Reform



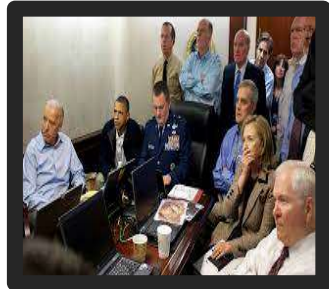
- His most notable and controversial achievement has been the **Family Affordable Care Act** (_____)
 - Attempted to overhaul the nation's healthcare
 - Expanded _____ to healthcare

American Recovery & Reinvestment Act



- Continued the government _____ of the **banking industry** begun under President Bush
- _____ **to jumpstart the economy**
- The ARRA package was included in a series of federal government expenditures aimed at counting the job _____ associated with the 2008 recession

War On Terror



- Obama continued the **War on Terror** around the world
- Obama oversaw an approach that relies on a *combination of* _____ *killing, relying on Special Operations forces and drones*
- Illustrating an approach designed to _____ the risk to American life and _____ the image of the U.S. overseas

Death of Osama Bin Laden



- Monday, May 2, 2011
- Osama Bin Laden is killed in Abbottabad, Pakistan, in a _____ led by the U.S. _____
 - Obama receives live updates in the White House Situation Room
 - Makes a statement to the nation @ 11:35 PM Eastern Time

Supreme Court Nomination



- Appointed Sonia Sotomayor
 - **First** _____ **to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court**
- Graduated summa cum laude from Princeton University
- In 1992, she was appointed by Pres. George H.W. Bush as a federal

judge in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

Obama & Michelle



- **Obama will serve 2 terms in office**
- _____-Free Kids Act
 - Championed by former first lady Michelle Obama and signed into law by former President Obama
 - **Impacted the overall _____ quality of school meals eaten by students, rather than meals served**