

## **Reading Guide - Chapter 30**

### **The Conservative Ascendancy**

Quizzes are worth 20 points. You need *at least* 1 page front and back to take the quiz. NO NOTES, NO QUIZ!

#### **Terms:**

OPEC  
Sunbelt  
Gerald Ford  
Jimmy Carter  
Deregulation  
Affirmative Action  
Roe v. Wade  
Camp David Accords  
Détente  
Iran Hostage Crisis  
Ronald Reagan  
Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981  
Strategic Defense Initiative  
Contras  
Iran-Contra  
Glasnost  
Perestroika

#### **Questions:**

1. What explains the weakness of the US economy in the 1970s?
2. What explains the rise of the New Right in the 1980s?
3. Was the Iran hostage crisis a turning point in American politics or only a thorn in Carter's reelection campaign? How did Iran-Contra affect the Republicans?
4. What were the central philosophical assumptions behind Reaganomics and the key policies by which it was implemented?
5. Why did the gap between rich and poor grow in the 1980s?
6. What was Reagan's approach to foreign policy? How did it differ from Carter's approach to foreign affairs?