

## How to Use This Book

Welcome to A Look Back at Modern History! This book is divided into two five-year units, which together cover an entire decade. Each unit includes five quizzes that require students to put events of each individual year in chronological order. Following those quizzes is a quiz that requires students to sort a list of events into the proper year.

At the end of the second unit, there is a notebooking page for each year of the decade. Students can use these pages to record interesting facts they find, topics they'd like to learn more about, observations they make, etc. They could also use the page to research one specific topic that they find intriguing from the year. The final page is called, "What Do You Think?" This page provides your student a place to record his or her thoughts on the decade as a whole. What was life like? Was the mood hopeful, discouraged, angry, etc.? What stands out about the decade to your student?

There are many ways to use this pack in your studies:

- It is perfect for review after students have studied a time period in history or social studies.
- Parents and teachers can use the pack to help create a list of ideas or areas you wish to explore as you plan your study.
- Students can use the book as a starting point for independent study. Have students take the quizzes to the library or use them at the computer to search for the answers to the questions. Allow plenty of time for rabbit trails so students can investigate facts and stories they discover as they complete their pack.
- It can also be used as a tool to help students practice and sharpen research and notetaking skills. Have students record where they find the answers to each question as they would if they were doing research for a paper or presentation. You can also use this record of sources to help them dig deeper into the topics that interest them.

However you use the pack in your curriculum, I hope you find many forgotten or unknown moments in history to discuss with your students!

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## Unit 1: 1970—1974

### Which Came First?

For this puzzle, you have five lists of events, one list for each year in this unit. Your job is to put the events for each year in chronological order, with 1 being the first event from the list that happened that year and 10 being the last.

To solve this puzzle, you may need to guess some of the answers using your knowledge and reasoning skills. Then research online or at the library to check your answers. There is an answer key in the back if you get stuck.

## 1970

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Apollo 13* is launched from Cape Kennedy for the moon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Great Britain's Prince Charles takes his seat in the House of Lords.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The United Nations celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The south side of the Himalaya's Annapurna I (26,504 ft.) is climbed for the first time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The U.S. Senate approves lowering the voting age to 18.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women receiving the right to vote in the U.S. is celebrated.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A massive earthquake in the northern mountains of Peru devastates the area.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Serious antigovernment riots begin in Manila and other Philippine cities.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Israel, the United Arab Republic, and Jordan accept the formula for peace in the Middle East proposed by the U.S.
- \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. President signs bill outlawing cigarette commercials on radio and TV as of the beginning of 1971.

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## Unit 2: 1975—1979

### Which Came First?

For this puzzle, you have five lists of events, one list for each year in this unit. Your job is to put the events for each year in chronological order, with 1 being the first event from the list that happened that year and 10 being the last.

To solve this puzzle, you may need to guess some of the answers using your knowledge and reasoning skills. Then research online or at the library to check your answers. There is an answer key in the back if you get stuck.

## 1975

- \_\_\_\_\_ Official beginning of the American Revolution Bicentennial observance occurs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency puts forth major reductions in the maximum radiation allowed from nuclear power plants.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A \$16 billion tax cut is included in the U.S. economic recovery plan the president gives to Congress.
- \_\_\_\_\_ People's Republic of Mozambique declares independence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A strike of about 2,000 northern California physicians occurs due to higher malpractice insurance costs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assassination attempt is made on President Ford in Sacramento, CA.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is announced that unemployment hit 8.2% in January (a 33-year high).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Postal workers in Canada strike.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Egypt reopens the Suez Canal.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Richard J. Daley is reelected to a sixth consecutive term as mayor of Chicago.

