

## **Lyndon B. Johnson's "Great Society"**

1. Lyndon B. Johnson
  - a. Became president after JFK assassination
  - b. Ended up being dishonest and a bully
2. Great Society
  - a. Johnson's welfare platform
  - b. Work to end poverty, reduce crime, abolish inequality and improve the environment
  - c. War on Poverty
    - i. Head Start for children -> at risk kids get help
    - ii. Medicare & Medicaid-> help with medical costs
    - iii. Funds to cities
      1. Led to corruption
    - iv. Billions spent to help -> in the end we still have poverty and it has become cyclical
    - v. War on Drugs
      1. Increased penalty for possession/trafficking of harmful drugs
      2. Created Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs
      3. Passed many acts and laws to help control drug and crime rates
3. Aftermath of the Great Society
  - a. Trillions have been spent to get rid of poverty, didn't work
  - b. More government intervention and spending