

US History
The Vietnam War
War of Attrition Essay

Vietnam was considered a war of attrition for both the United States and its enemies. In three short paragraphs you are to explain the concept of attrition warfare in Vietnam.

In the first paragraph you are to define attrition and explain the difference between physical attrition and moral attrition.

In the second paragraph you are to identify and explain two specific tactics used by each side to win this war of attrition.

In the third and final paragraph you are to identify why each side believed attrition was the best strategy for them and why they believed it would lead to victory.

Grading Scale

<i>Paragraph 1 - Definition</i>	<i>= 5 pts</i>
<i>Paragraph 2 - Tactics</i>	<i>= 5 pts</i>
<i>Paragraph 3 - Justification</i>	<i>= <u>5 pts</u></i>
	<i>15 pts</i>