

Iran in the Cold War

Journal 12

How far is too far in stopping the spread of Communism?

Pop Quiz!

1. Brinkmanship
2. M.A.D.
3. NATO
4. Truman Doctrine
5. Marshall Plan
6. Containment

Essay Breakdown

Symptoms v. Disease

- Will help you write a counterclaim
- Have multiple pieces of evidence per point

Did better at citing things, though we do need to reference the actual document

Review

Containment

- George Kennen – Author of the Long Telegram, ambassador to U.S.S.R.
- Suggested a policy of “containment of Russia’s expansive policies” since it would be impossible to reach an agreement with them.

Truman Doctrine

Marshall Plan

Declaration of Liberated Europe

Containment Strategy

2 strategies

- Financial aid (Marshall Plan)
- Overthrow anti-American leaders

Covert Operations – Secret, or hidden, government sponsored action

Where?

- Developing countries – Why might they blame European powers for their problems?

2 Case Studies: Guatemala

Communist Arbenz Guzman is *elected* president

He begins taking over large plantations and other estates, including some owned by Americans

Czechoslovakia supports Guzman by sending him weapons

The U.S. arms and trains Guatemalan rebels in Nicaragua and Honduras

- Guzman steps down when the rebels invade

Guatemala becomes a dictatorship

2 Case Studies: Iran

1953- Iranian prime minister Mohammed Mossadegh nationalizes the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company

He looks like he wants to make a deal to support the U.S.S.R.

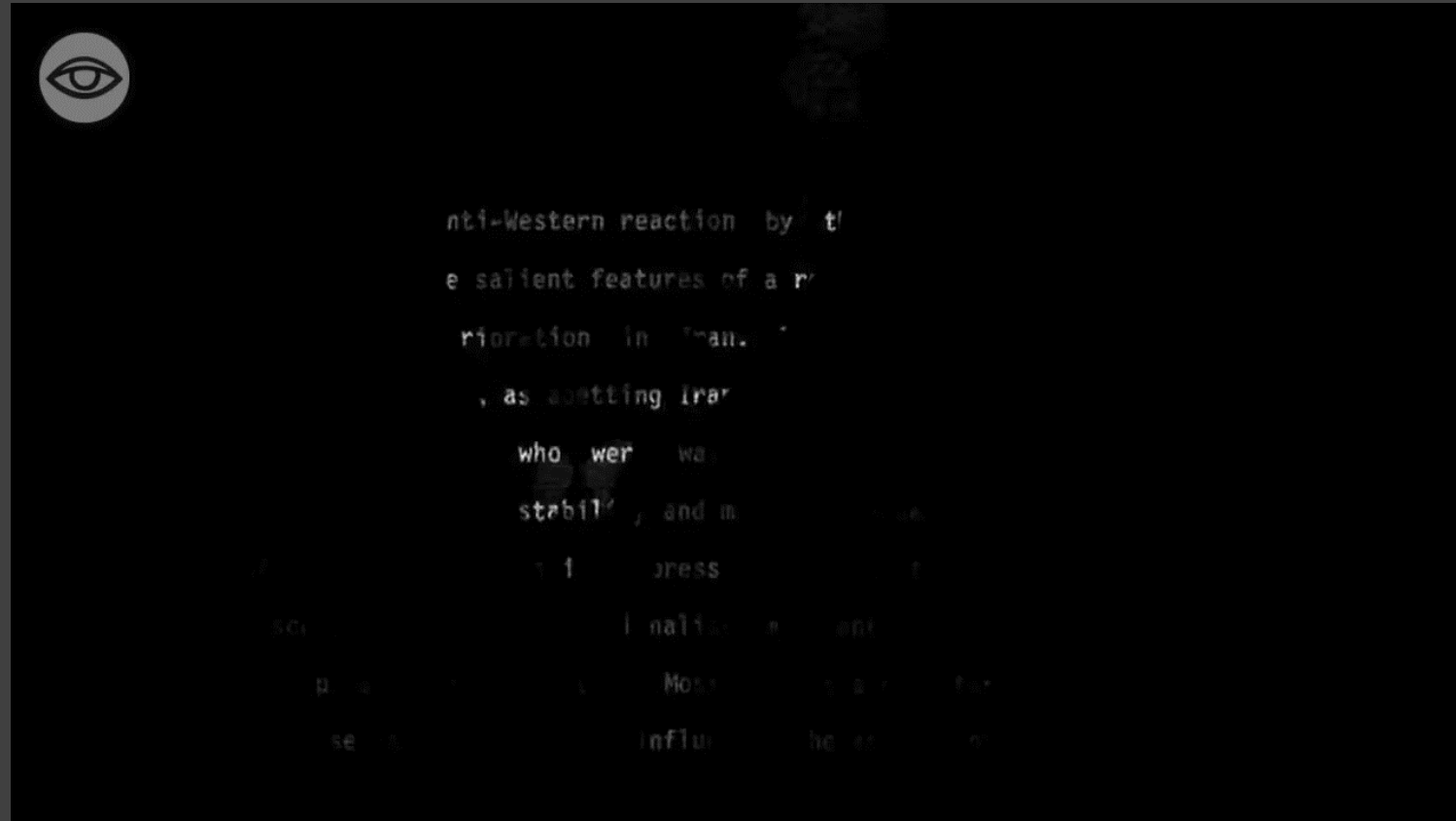
The pro-American shah (*supreme ruler*) tries to force Mossadegh out, but fails and has to hide

The CIA arranges a coup (*uprising*) that forces out Mossadegh and returns the shah to power

- Codenamed Operation: AJAX

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMrJu8Gx9eY>



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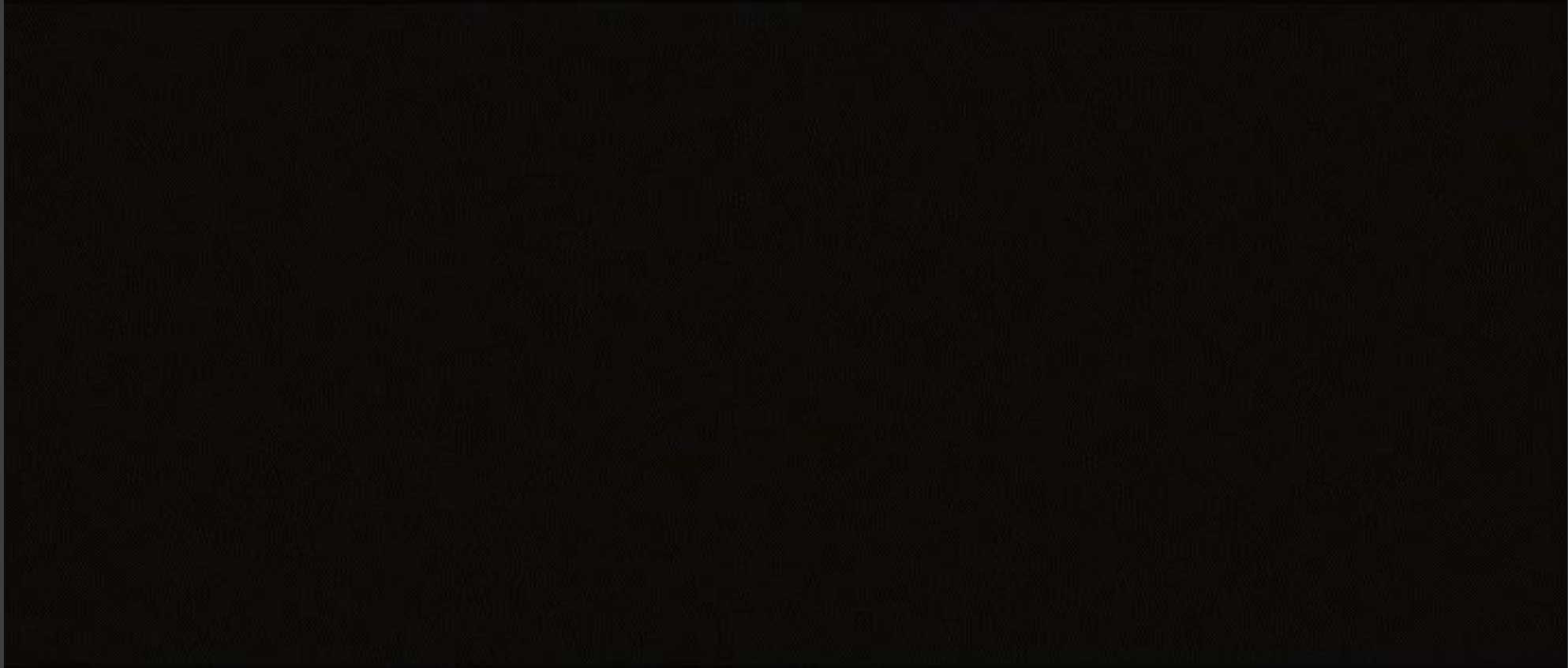
Shah lived really well, but the Iranian people suffered

He had a brutal police force that intimidated people into following him

In 1979, the Iranian people revolted and the Ayatollah came to power

- As part of the revolution, they took the American embassy hostage

2 Case Studies: Iran



Iran Hostage Crisis

After the revolution, the Shah goes to America

52 Americans are held hostage for 444 days

Jimmy Carter tries to free the hostages militarily – doesn't work; 8 Americans and 1 Iranian are killed

Iraq and Iran go to war in 1980 (unrelated), so Iran begins negotiating with the U.S.

Hostages are released the same day that Reagan is sworn in

Pop Quiz 2!

1. Mohammad Mossadegh
2. Operation Ajax
3. Shah
4. Coup D'état

Exit Slip

On a half sheet of paper, answer the following questions:

1. Why did the U.S. work to overthrow an elected leader in a sovereign country?
2. Were its actions justified?

Crash Course!!

