

CORE QUESTIONS	BUILDING BLOCK ESSAYS
What constitutes a REGIME CHANGE?	Defining RChange: essential characteristics, synonyms, types, contested aspects; use empirical examples from Kinzer, Ch. 1, 14, 4, and 9 and scholarly reference sources
Why do they occur (causes)	Case Study: Cold War Overthrows in Guatemala, Iran, Summarize, characterize, and illustrate the empirical nuts & bolts: How did the U.S.G. get away with it?
What are their consequences for both the US and the country that experiences an overthrow and its consequences?	Comparative Country Profiles: What are the consequences for both the US and the countries experiencing overthrow? How can we empirically measure the economic, political, and social consequences by applying quantitative reasoning to CIA and BBC country profiles? How do 'facts' and ideology work together to conjure magical thinking and storytelling?
How do RChanges occur? How are ideologies, especially manifest destiny/American Exceptionalism, and political rhetoric, causally linked to US RChanges?	Ideologies of Cold War Overthrows in Guatemala, Iran, Vietnam & Chile: Identify, define, summarize, and explain how Manifest Destiny/American Exceptionalism played a role in one of these regime changes;
What do the patterns of US RChange teach us about the relationship between ideologies, (ant-communism, and militarism) and political rhetoric and uses of empirical data?	Independent Research: identify, characterize, summarize one other ideology and its role in an overthrow Kinzer discusses. We will work with Janet DiPaolo to exploit the Healey Library's online and hardcopy resources
How do ideologies and regime change rhetoric reflect MAGICAL THINKING & STORYTELLING?	Putting it altogether: How does political rhetoric shed light on ideologies?
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How can ordinary people like us engage in careful reading & critical thinking to make informed judgments about US foreign policies? How can we act on our knowledge?	So what? What do we do with our knowledge?