

Vietnam: Hot War in Asia

- A. Complete the map as directed on page 35 using the map in your textbook on page 651.
- B. After completing the map, use it to answer the following questions:
1. Which natural feature forms much of the border between Laos and Thailand?
 2. Why might the United States have been concerned early in the war about China's attitude toward U.S. involvement on the side of South Vietnam?
 3. What city is located in the Mekong Delta area?
 4. What is the distance from east to west in the narrowest part of Vietnam?
 5. What might have been the effect on the Vietnam War if the border of Laos had been closed and North Vietnam had not been able to operate in that country?
 6. The Tet Offensive ranged from Hue to Can Tho (just southwest of Saigon). Thus, over approximately how many miles did the North Vietnamese attacks stretch?
 7. Part of the reason that the United States got involved in Vietnam was the Domino Theory- the belief in the 1950s and 1960s that the loss of even one country to communism would cause all others in the region to fall "like a row of dominoes." During the era of the Vietnam War, what countries is it likely that the United States feared losing to communism?