POL 231: Assignment 9: Recent American Presidents

Due: April 25, 2006

Write a 100-word synopsis for each of four recent presidents (any president from Kennedy through George W. Bush) using information on "The American Presidency" webpage. This webpage is based on information in Grolier encyclopedias.

Click on http://ap.grolier.com/#POLITICS

Under Background and History, and then under Profiles, click on Presidents. This will take you to a page with all the presidents listed and buttons for four different encyclopedia entries. This webpage address is http://ap.grolier.com/browse?type=profiles#pres. Select any of the options to develop your four 100-word essays.

Write the summaries entirely in your own words. Do not use any quotations from these encyclopedia entries. In your summaries cover the following information: party and presidential term in office (eg. 1977 - 1980); earlier careers and public offices; major domestic and international policies and crises. The goal is to develop a short recap of each of the four presidents.