Crisis or Countermove

Sort events and impacts from national actions during the Bush administration.

USH.C.9.1 "Assess the significant events of the George W. Bush administration. Summarize the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, including examples of heroism and efforts to combat terrorism (e.g...."

NAME _____ DATE _____

EVENT OR IMPACT	NATIONAL ACTION
This category covers what happened during a crisis and how people, places, or the economy were affected. It includes acts of courage, not just harm. A 2007 wildfire destroyed homes in California.	This category covers steps taken by national leaders, agencies, or the Federal Reserve to address a crisis. An action may help without solving every problem. President Bush launched a program to treat HIV/AIDS overseas in 2003.

1 SORT

8 items

For Part 1, circle EVENT or ACTION for each item; for Part 2, choose one item from each category and explain how you knew.

1.	Firefighters rescued people from the World Trade Center during the September 11 attacks.	EVENT ACTION
2.	The Department of Homeland Security was created to coordinate efforts against threats.	EVENT ACTION
3.	The PATRIOT Act expanded federal investigative powers after September 11.	EVENT ACTION
4.	New Orleans flooded after levees failed during Hurricane Katrina.	EVENT ACTION
5.	Many Iraqi civilians fled their homes during the Iraq War.	EVENT ACTION
6.	The Federal Reserve cut interest rates and offered emergency loans during the financial crisis.	EVENT ACTION
7.	Years of war in Afghanistan caused deaths and displacement.	EVENT ACTION
8.	The housing bubble burst, and financial firms suffered large losses.	EVENT ACTION

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

For Part 3, write one new EVENT example and one new ACTION example from the Bush administration.

EVENT _____

ACTION _____

CHALLENGE

Choose a related EVENT and ACTION from Part 1. Explain how the action addressed the event, then identify one limit of that action.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	Firefighters rescued people from the World Trade Center during the September 11 attacks.	**EVENT**	The rescue was an act of heroism during the attacks, not a national policy.
2	The Department of Homeland Security was created to coordinate efforts against threats.	**ACTION**	The federal government created a department to improve security.
3	The PATRIOT Act expanded federal investigative powers after September 11.	**ACTION**	The act was a national legislative response to terrorism.
4	New Orleans flooded after levees failed during Hurricane Katrina.	**EVENT**	The flooding was an effect of the hurricane and levee failures.
5	Many Iraqi civilians fled their homes during the Iraq War.	**EVENT**	Displacement was a human consequence of the war.
6	The Federal Reserve cut interest rates and offered emergency loans during the financial crisis.	**ACTION**	The central bank took steps to address the financial crisis.
7	Years of war in Afghanistan caused deaths and displacement.	**EVENT**	Deaths and displacement were consequences of the war.
8	The housing bubble burst, and financial firms suffered large losses.	**EVENT**	The burst bubble and losses were part of the developing financial crisis.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **EVENT**: The September 11 attacks killed nearly 3,000 people.
- **ACTION**: FEMA coordinated federal aid after Hurricane Katrina.

Challenge: The Federal Reserve lowered interest rates and offered emergency loans as the housing collapse threatened the financial system. These steps helped keep credit available, but they could not quickly restore lost home values.

Items 1, 4, 5, 7, and 8 are EVENT; items 2, 3, and 6 are ACTION. Accept other accurate examples and explanations that maintain the distinction.