

Presidents -- Wilson (1913-1921); Harding (1921-1923); Coolidge (1923-1929); Hoover (1929-1933); F. Roosevelt (1933-1945); Truman (1945-1953).

The Cold War Era

Cold War Origins (27-1)

1. What evidence does the map on page 789 give that Roosevelt and Churchill's hopes for the Yalta Conference went unfulfilled?
2. Who coined the phrase "iron curtain"? What did it represent?
3. What was the purpose of the United Nations?
4. What was the purpose of the Truman Doctrine?
5. How was the Marshall Plan supposed to check communist expansion?
6. Explain why the United States's actions during the Berlin blockade were considered part of a "cold war"?
7. Why would National Security Council (NSC-68) possibly lead to future conflicts?
8. Name four countries that gained independence after World War II, including one new country that was created in the Middle East.
9. What was "perhaps the most threatening change of the postwar period"? Did the United States recognize Mao's government? Which country did the United States recognize as the legitimate government of China?

Postwar Politics (27-2)

1. How did the Taft-Hartley Act affect businesses and unions? Do you agree or disagree with the Act? Explain.
2. What actions did President Truman take in order to advance the Civil Rights of African Americans? This will lead to some Democrats becoming Republicans.

The Korean War (27-3)

1. How did the Korean War begin?
2. What line separated North from South Korea?
3. How did China respond to new goal of the United States in unifying and making one Korea?
4. How did Truman's view on the Korean War differ from General MacArthur's view? Who did the public support? Why? What was the quote from MacArthur's farewell speech?
5. What was the outcome of the conflict in Korea?

The Red Scare (27-4)

1. Why did Truman veto the McCarran Act?
2. Why did some of the Hollywood Ten go to jail?
3. Using the examples during the Red Scare, should someone's political beliefs exclude them from public service or types of jobs. Give examples.
4. Why was McCarthy able to bully people for four years? What finally happened to end his attacks?