

Section 2: A Time of Prosperity
The United States in the Cold War

Section Quiz

A. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: From Column II below, choose the term that best fits each description. Write the letter of the answer next to the correct number. You will not use all the answers. (10 points each)

Column I

- _____ 1. After World War II _____ tended to become the homes of poorer, less educated people.
- _____ 2. Throughout the 1950s, a rising _____ reflected the fact that Americans were able to live more comfortably.
- _____ 3. Increases in _____ made the American economy more efficient.
- _____ 4. The Taft-Hartley Act, passed over Truman's veto, banned the _____.

Column II

- a. productivity
- b. standard of living
- c. suburbs
- d. inflation
- e. inner cities
- f. closed shop

B. Key Concepts

Directions: Read the following statements. If a statement is correct, write "T" next to the sentence. If a statement is incorrect, write "F" next to the sentence and replace the underlined word(s) to make the statement correct. (10 points each)

- _____ 5. The GI Bill helped former soldiers attend college.
- _____ 6. War hero Adlai Stevenson easily won the 1952 presidential election.
- _____ 7. During the 1950s, Americans increasingly used railroads for traveling and transporting goods.
- _____ 8. Of all the new products of the 1950s, television had the greatest impact on American homes.

C. Critical Thinking

Directions: Answer the question below on a separate sheet of paper. (20 points)

9. How did the growth of suburbs change life in large American cities?