

Unit 11: A Turbulent Time



Chapter 46



Our History Class Responsibilities

We will try our best to learn and have fun,
Until the class is over and Mrs. Hill says we're done!

We will use the chat to participate and write about the class
subjects only,
Or we will lose that privilege and we will be very lonely.

We need to be in class on time, make sure to participate, and
TRY!

And if we don't stay the entire class, we may be marked
absent and wonder why?

Once class is over, our work is not quite through,
We have a chapter to read and a study guide to do.

We are responsible for our own grade, it is what we earn,
We are in control of learning all that we can learn!

In the mid-20th century, the United States was

A. Rich

B. Poor

Johnson's Great Society: In the mid-20th-century, the United States was thriving. We were called an "affluent society." That means we were rich. Many Americans had cars, bikes, television sets, hi-fi sets, and nice houses. But some people were left out. Some people went hungry. They didn't get a fair chance to go to a good school or to get a good job. Were they to blame for that? What should be done about poverty? That problem was as old as society and not easy to solve. Lyndon Johnson thought something could be done about poverty, and he meant to do it. He intended to build his Great Society. It would take money, the talent to get bills passed in Congress, and the leadership to make Americans understand that ending poverty would make everyone richer.

The Great Society

- The Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed—it outlawed most discrimination, helping women as well as minorities.
- Head Start helped little children prepare for kindergarten.
- The Job Corps found work for school dropouts. Upward Bound helped needy children go to college.
- The Neighborhood Youth Corps trained unemployed teenagers.
- The Teacher Corps trained schoolteachers.
- Medicare helped old people pay their hospital bills.
- Medicaid helped those without much money afford a doctor.
- Johnson went to the **Statue of Liberty** to sign a bill that ended narrow, racist immigration quotas. Because of an immigration bill passed early in the century, only people from some privileged regions, like Western Europe, were able to come to the United States in large numbers. Just a few from other regions—Asia, for instance—were allowed to enter and become citizens. Johnson’s new law let new groups of immigrants (especially Asians and Latinos) broaden the American family.

The Great Society

Major Great Society Programs

Civil Rights	Civil Rights Act	1964	Outlawed discrimination in public facilities and employment
	Voting Rights Act	1965	Guaranteed voting rights for blacks
War on Poverty	Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)	1964	Sent volunteers into communities throughout the country to combat poverty through education and job training
	Food Stamp Program	1964	Provides aid to low-income families to buy groceries
	Project Head Start	1965	Provides education, nutrition, and health services to children from low-income families
Health	Social Security Act of 1965 (Medicare)	1965	Provides federal funds to cover many medical costs faced by senior citizens regardless of income level
	Medicaid	1966	Provides federal funds to cover many medical costs for people who receive welfare
Education	Elementary and Secondary Education Act	1965	Helped schools with a large population of poor children buy supplies and establish special programs
Environment	Clean Air Act	1963	Provided federal funds to conduct research and create programs to control air pollution
	Wilderness Preservation Act	1964	Protects national forest wilderness areas

How did Johnson's Great Society Programs compare to that of President's before them?



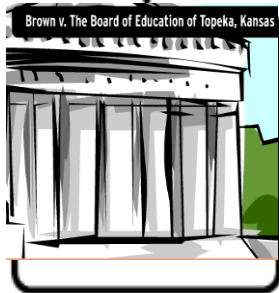
These programs cost..... But we are now an “affluent” society....

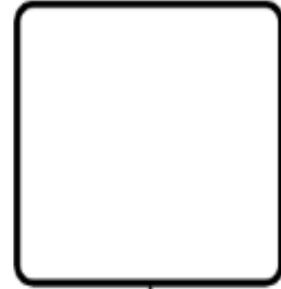


What was costing the US so much money that we could no longer afford these Great Society Programs?

- a) The Cuban Missile Crisis
- b) The war in Iraq
- c) The Vietnam War
- d) World War Two

By 1967, the Vietnam War was costing the country \$70 million a day





Unit 11 Quiz Tomorrow

- Volume D: Chapters 39 -46
- Your homework for tomorrow will be Chapters 47 & 48. You can certainly start now!
- **CHECK YOUR GRADES!**