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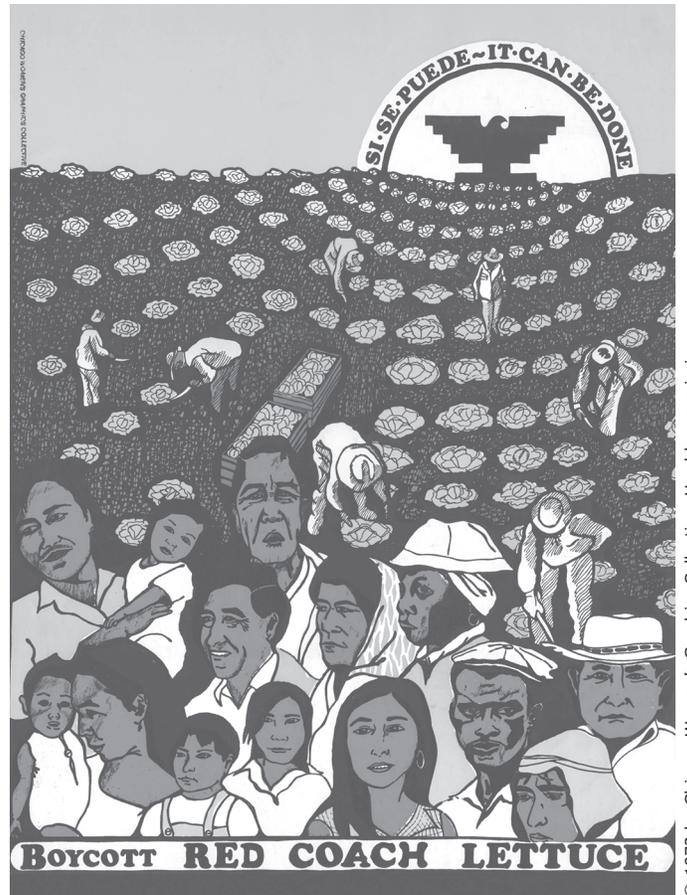
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DIRECTIONS

Read each question carefully. Determine the best answer to the question from the four answer choices provided. Then fill in the answer on your answer document.

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This 1972 poster depicts an organization originally formed to advocate —

- A** publicly funded health care for children
- B** better economic treatment of migrant workers
- C** a retirement system for farm laborers
- D** equal employment opportunities for women

The participants in this week's antidraft demonstration . . . are . . . students or young men . . . who are working within a coalition . . . which calls itself the Stop the Draft Week Committee. . . .

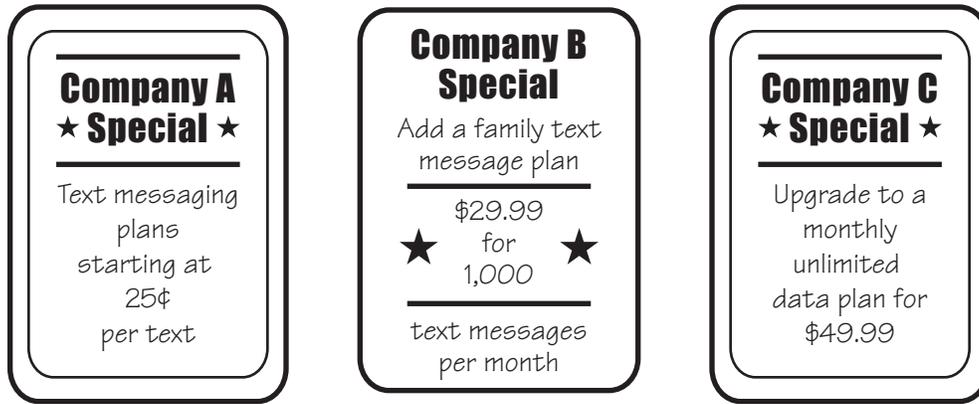
—*Douglas Robinson, New York Times, December 6, 1967*

The demonstration described in this article was most likely prompted by —

- F** renewed diplomatic relations with communist China
- G** escalated deployment of military forces to Vietnam
- H** the signing of the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty
- J** the formation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

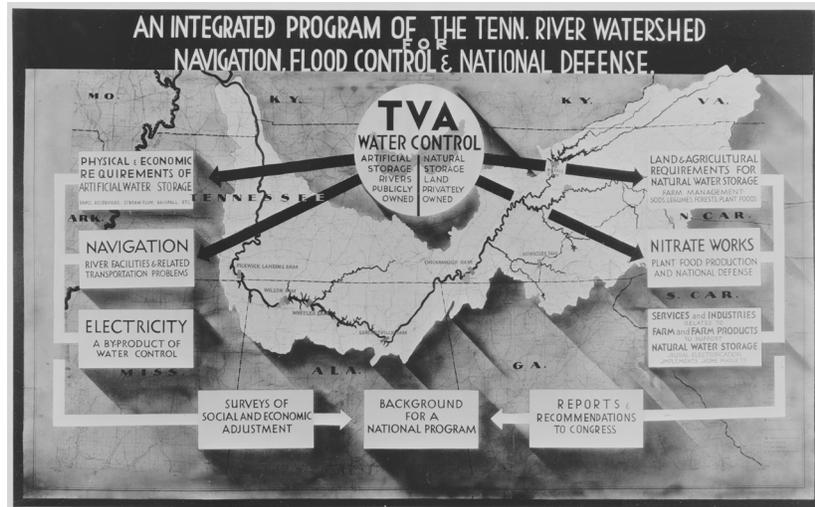
3 The introduction of vaccines to the United States helped —

- A** limit the risk in consuming imported produce
- B** improve the hygiene of medical procedures
- C** improve the quality of the water supply
- D** limit the spread of infectious diseases



What do these advertisements suggest to consumers?

- F** Government regulation of the cell phone industry is increasing.
- G** Personal computers are replacing cell phones.
- H** Free enterprise promotes competition among cell phone providers.
- J** Cell phone users have limited choices in the marketplace.



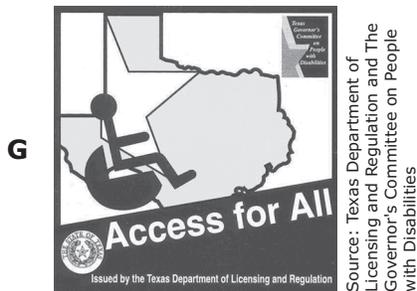
Why did the federal government create this program in 1933?

- A To establish industrial centers in the region
- B To promote organic farming practices
- C To offset the effects of urbanization and rapid population growth
- D To provide jobs and improve the regional standard of living

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- 6 Jackie Robinson first rose to national prominence in the late 1940s when he —
- F organized sit-ins to desegregate lunch counters
 - G enrolled in the racially segregated University of Mississippi
 - H helped bring an end to racial segregation in Major League Baseball
 - J participated in the Freedom Rides to desegregate interstate bus terminals

- 7 Senator Joseph McCarthy is best known for his involvement in —
- A the war effort of the 1940s
 - B the Red Scare of the 1950s
 - C the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s
 - D the political scandals of the 1970s

- 8 Which government poster is directly related to the Civil Rights Act of 1964?



For the purpose of enabling each State to furnish financial assistance, as far as practicable under the conditions in such State, to aged needy individuals, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated . . . for each fiscal year a sum sufficient to carry out the purposes of this title.

—*Social Security Act of 1935, Title 1, Section 1*

How did the legislation excerpted above affect the relationship between the U.S. government and its citizens?

- A** It allowed the government to tax investment income.
- B** It allowed people to have more direct input in government decisions.
- C** It made most people distrust the power of the government.
- D** It made the government more responsible for the people's economic welfare.

10 The government issued ration books during World War II in order to —

- F** provide financial security for uninsured citizens
- G** safeguard the profits of struggling businesses
- H** ensure the fair distribution of scarce goods
- J** allow consumers to buy imported goods at discounted rates

As the human population grows in the Flagstaff region, we increase the impact of transportation corridors (such as roads and rails) and land use changes (such as urban and rural development) on wildlife populations. . . .

To that end, the City of Flagstaff and Coconino County requested wildlife corridor information from the Arizona Game and Fish Department. . . .

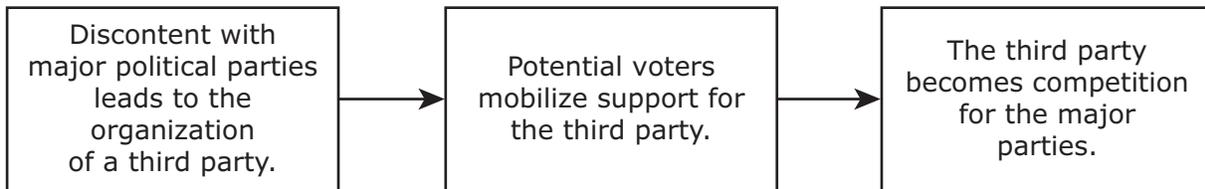
—*Jessica Gist and Sarah Reif, Arizona Game and Fish Department, August 2009*

The establishment of the wildlife corridors discussed in the excerpt was most likely necessary to prevent —

- A** the spread of disease among animals
- B** the disruption of animal migration
- C** a rapid increase in the number of animals
- D** an invasion of non-native animal species

12 The primary reason given by U.S. leaders to justify military involvement in Vietnam was that it would —

- F** promote reconstruction after World War II
- G** maintain the policy of détente
- H** fulfill prior United Nations obligations
- J** keep communism from spreading throughout the region



How have major parties reacted to the scenario described above?

- A** By suing the third parties in court for campaign-finance violations
- B** By persuading the third parties to present a new platform
- C** By addressing the issues raised by the third parties
- D** By preventing third parties from holding conventions

To His Excellency William McKinley, President, and the Senate, of the United States of America . . .

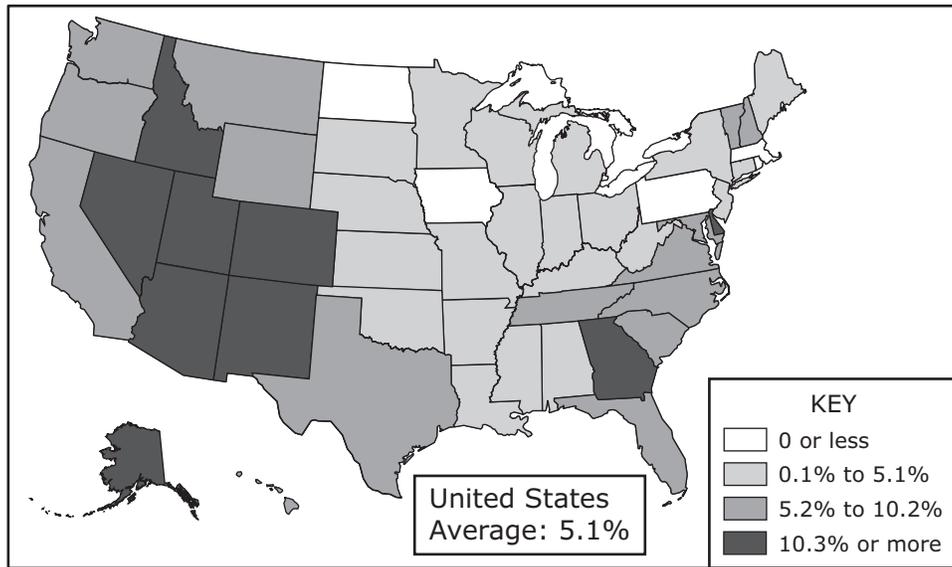
We, the undersigned, native Hawaiian citizens . . . who are members of the Hawaiian Patriotic League of the Hawaiian Islands, and others who are in sympathy with the said League, earnestly protest against the . . . [addition] of the said Hawaiian Islands to the said United States of America in any form or shape.

— *Petition, 1897*

What were these Hawaiian citizens protesting?

- F** The forced annexation of the islands as a U.S. territory after the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy
- G** The classification of the islands as a protectorate after the Hawaiian government signed a treaty with the United States
- H** The granting of U.S. statehood to the islands after they were purchased from the Hawaiian monarch
- J** The colonization of the islands by political refugees from the United States

Growth Rate of the Population
Age 65 and Older by State, 2000–2005



The information on this map best supports the conclusion that between 2000 and 2005 —

- A** health-care costs decreased in the Northeast
- B** Social Security payments decreased in the Pacific Northwest
- C** income tax revenues increased in the Midwest
- D** Medicare spending increased in the Southwest

16 Which of these was a major goal of Jane Addams's Settlement House movement in Chicago?

- F** The founding of women's colleges
- G** The introduction of prison reform
- H** The assimilation of immigrants
- J** The establishment of public libraries

Chronic wrongdoing, . . . which results in a general loosening of the ties of civilized society, may in America, as elsewhere, ultimately require intervention by some civilized nation, and in the Western Hemisphere the adherence of the United States to the Monroe Doctrine may force the United States, however reluctantly, in flagrant cases of such wrongdoing . . . to the exercise of an international police power.

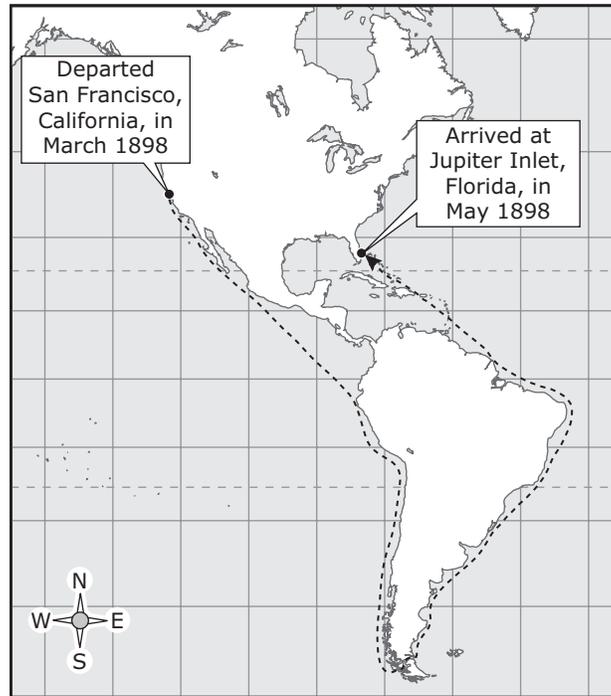
—President Theodore Roosevelt, 1904

President Roosevelt issued this statement in response to —

- A** the construction of a canal in Panama
- B** the threat of European intervention in Latin America
- C** Spanish efforts to suppress a rebellion in Cuba
- D** public outcry regarding war between Russia and Japan

18 During the nineteenth century, one way political bosses gained voter support was by —

- F** campaigning for women’s suffrage
- G** advocating the use of poll taxes
- H** making improvements in urban infrastructure
- J** providing public assistance for former slaves

Voyage of the USS *Oregon*

Which outcome was an important effect of the 1898 event illustrated by this map?

- A** Increased U.S. foreign aid to the developing countries in South America
- B** Increased U.S. public support for the construction of a canal through Central America
- C** Decreased U.S. economic influence in the Western Hemisphere
- D** Decreased U.S. naval presence in the Caribbean Sea

Most states allow citizens to vote in elections after presenting a voter-registration card. Some federal legislators attempted to pass a bill requiring another form of identification for voting. Some citizens who opposed this proposed bill solicited donations and hired someone to talk to members of Congress on their behalf. The hired representative met with the members of Congress and attempted to persuade them to vote against the bill.

What type of political activity is described in this scenario?

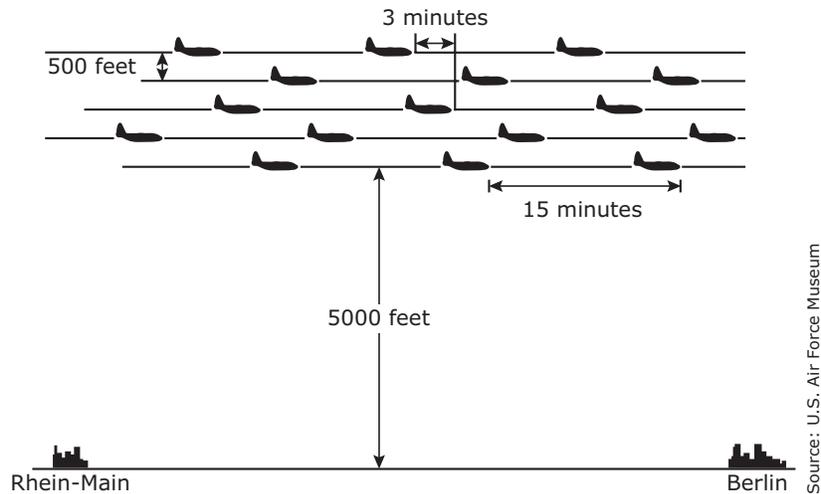
- F** Protesting
- G** Boycotting
- H** Lobbying
- J** Recalling

21 Which of these is an effect rock and roll had on society in the United States in the 1950s?

- A** It reminded people of prewar days.
- B** It contributed to a cultural divide between generations.
- C** It increased the fear of communist expansion.
- D** It promoted values learned during times of economic hardship.

22 During the 1920s, what was one result of innovations in U.S. transportation technology?

- F** Commercial airplanes replaced ocean liners as the primary means of travel to Europe.
- G** Mass-produced automobiles made travel more affordable for many people.
- H** Cable cars provided a comfortable means of quick travel to any city within a state.
- J** Container ships delivered agricultural goods to ports along the Pacific coast.



This is a cross-sectional diagram of a major operation ordered by President Harry S. Truman in 1948. The flight pattern illustrated in the diagram was designed to allow an airplane to land every three minutes. Why was this operation undertaken?

- A** To enable a rapid withdrawal of troops from a war-torn city
- B** To deploy substantial invasion forces
- C** To provide supplies to a blockaded city
- D** To rescue thousands of stranded political refugees

24 Under the U.S. Constitution, the government may not take private property unless —

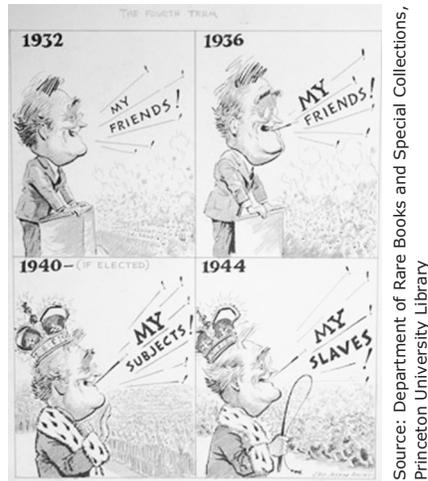
- F** the land requires extensive restoration
- G** the government determines that the land is critical to developers' profits
- H** the landowner refuses to build a home on the land
- J** the government pays the owner fair compensation for the land

25 Upon entering World War I, the United States enlarged its military by —

- A** creating the Veterans Administration
- B** passing the Selective Service Act
- C** enacting the GI Bill
- D** establishing the Marine Corps

26 How did the publication of Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* contribute to a change in the relationship between government and business?

- F** Federal troops were mobilized to break strikes by labor unions.
- G** Government regulations requiring the inspection of food products were implemented.
- H** Congress created a regulatory agency to audit railroads.
- J** Laws were enacted that banned private companies from discriminating when hiring.



This satirical cartoon expresses a sentiment that eventually contributed to —

- A** the passage of a federal statute prohibiting foreign companies from contributing to presidential campaigns
- B** the issuance of a Supreme Court ruling declaring it unconstitutional for members of the same political party to serve consecutive terms as president
- C** the establishment of a congressional committee to investigate private presidential conduct
- D** the ratification of a constitutional amendment establishing term limits for presidents

- 28** The skill and courage of the Tuskegee Airmen served to —
- F** give the United States an advantage in military encryption
 - G** encourage immigrant enlistment in the U.S. Army during World War II
 - H** decrease opposition to integrating the armed forces
 - J** increase the number of women joining the U.S. military during World War II
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Dear Stop ERA Friend . . .

In the face of all the pressure the ERAers are exerting this month, we need to remind all our Senators and Representatives that we are counting on them —

- 1) To vote NO on ERA, and
- 2) To resist all efforts to eliminate the 3/5th majority that the Illinois Constitution requires for constitutional amendments.

—Letter from the National Chairman of Stop ERA, December 6, 1978

The author of this letter was —

- A** a leader of the Civil Rights movement
 - B** the cofounder of the National Organization for Women
 - C** a leader of a conservative interest group
 - D** the cofounder of *Ms.* magazine
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- 30** During the 1920s, Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan were most closely identified with the —
- F** increased use of credit by U.S. consumers
 - G** development of new forms of popular entertainment
 - H** decline of public support for Progressive reforms
 - J** conflict between modernism and traditionalism

- 31** The Federal Housing Administration is a New Deal agency that continues to assist many Americans primarily by —
- A** providing them with money to pay for moving expenses
 - B** helping them obtain mortgage loans from banks
 - C** helping them choose a reputable home builder
 - D** offering incentives for them to invest in rental properties
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- 32** Why did the United States adopt the motto In God We Trust in 1956?
- F** To honor the financial and societal contributions of various religious organizations
 - G** To distinguish the nation from countries that restricted religious practices
 - H** To commemorate the social changes introduced by Christian leaders
 - J** To encourage the growth of religious institutions throughout the country
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Another visual mark of change has been in clothing styles. As radical groups have all but disappeared from most colleges and high schools . . . the street-fighting uniforms, the Army surplus look, the blue jeans and work shirts, and the costumes of the “freaks,” the tie-dyed, thrift shop and frontier scout styles, have become rarer and rarer.

With some exceptions, . . . students are dressing up more—not high-style, but neater, cleaner and brighter.

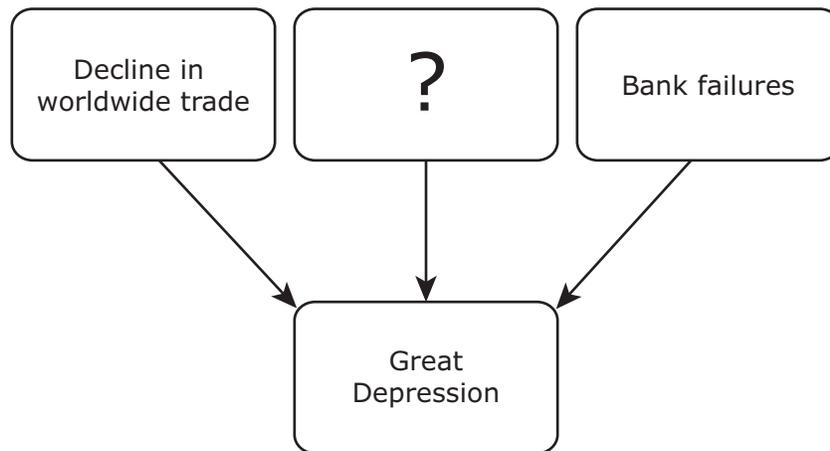
—*Douglas E. Kneeland*, *New York Times*

This excerpt describes changes in student fashion toward the end of —

- A** the Jazz Age
- B** the Cold War
- C** the counterculture movement
- D** the conservative movement

- 34** The Voting Rights Act of 1965 eliminated —
- F** barriers to voting for women
 - G** literacy tests as prerequisites for voting
 - H** proof of residency as a condition for voting
 - J** age discrimination in state voting laws

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Which of the following best completes this graphic organizer?

- A** Increase in consumer spending
- B** Overspeculation in the stock market
- C** Decrease in military spending
- D** Government subsidization of agriculture

- 36** In 1979 the Shah of Iran was forced into exile. The U.S. government later allowed the Shah to enter the United States for medical treatment. This perceived U.S. support for the Shah of Iran resulted in which of the following?
- F** Iran attacked a U.S. military base in Asia.
 - G** Soviet forces began an occupation of Iran.
 - H** Israel demanded U.S. support for the strategic bombing of cities in Iran.
 - J** Revolutionaries kidnapped a group of U.S. citizens in Iran.
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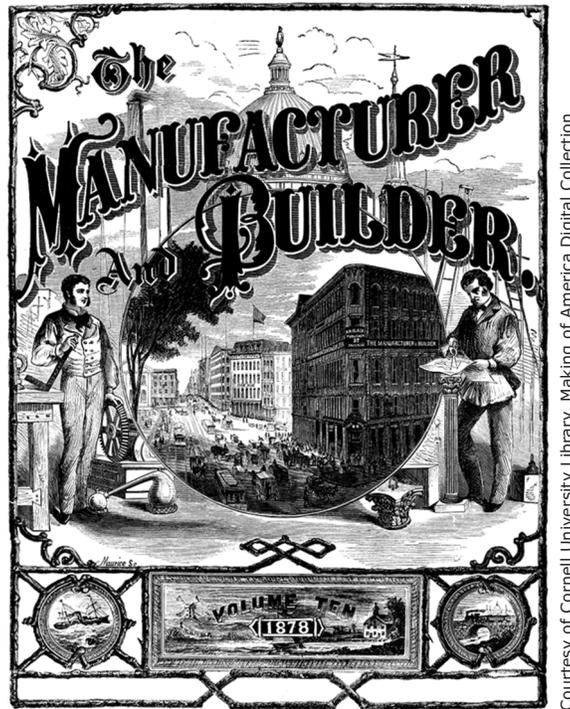
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The opponents of . . . recall, however they may phrase their opposition, in reality believe the people can not be trusted. On the other hand, those of us who espouse these measures do so because of our deep-rooted belief in popular government, and not only in the right of the people to govern, but in their ability to govern; and this leads us logically to the belief that if the people have the right, the ability, and the intelligence to elect, they have as well the right, ability, and intelligence to reject or to recall. . . .

— *California governor Hiram Johnson, inaugural address, 1911*

The reform discussed by Governor Johnson in this excerpt —

- A** required elected officials to communicate regularly with the public
 - B** provided citizens with more resources to run for office
 - C** made elected officials more directly accountable to their constituents
 - D** created new eligibility requirements for candidates for public office
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- 38** Which of these resulted from the prohibition of alcohol during the 1920s?
- F** A decline in immigration rates
 - G** A growing fear of communism
 - H** The expansion of the consumer economy
 - J** The rise of organized crime



This cover from a nineteenth-century periodical helps illustrate that the United States was beginning to change from —

- A** a mostly rural society to a mostly urban one
- B** a slave-owning society to one without slavery
- C** a foreign policy of isolationism to one of interventionism
- D** a direct democracy to a representative one

Statement 1: The U.S. oil industry boomed due to oil deposits found in conquered territories.

Statement 2: Rebuilding its devastated army cost the United States an enormous amount of money.

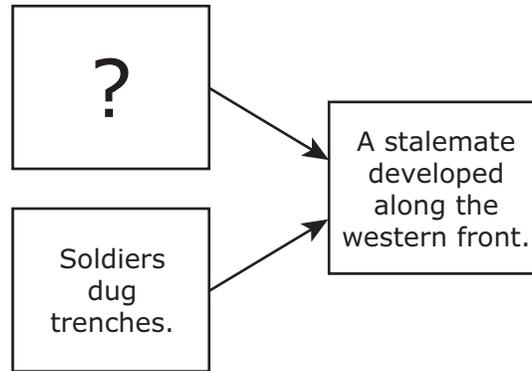
Statement 3: The acquisition of new territories allowed for the expansion of U.S. commercial trade.

Statement 4: Territorial losses forced the United States to purchase expensive natural resources from other countries.

Which statement would most likely be found in a history of the economic impact of the Spanish-American War on the United States?

- F** Statement 1
- G** Statement 2
- H** Statement 3
- J** Statement 4

Warfare During the First World War



Which action completes this diagram?

- A** Submarines attacked unarmed ships.
- B** Armored tanks crossed fortified lines.
- C** The use of machine guns resulted in massive casualties.
- D** Airplanes conducted reconnaissance missions.

42 President Franklin D. Roosevelt sought to reassure the American public during uncertain economic times by —

- F** publishing a weekly news editorial titled “The Road to Prosperity and Peace”
- G** holding weekly town-hall meetings with average citizens
- H** making short appearances in a variety of Hollywood films
- J** delivering a series of evening radio speeches known as fireside chats

The Oil Price Safeguard Act would help to moderate sharp spikes in oil and gas prices caused by price fixing and production quotas through the judicious use of our enormous petroleum reserves.

The global oil market is dominated by an international cartel with the ability to dramatically affect the price of oil. The eleven member countries . . . supply over 40 percent of the world's oil and possess 78 percent of the world's total proven crude oil reserves. Their control of the world's oil supply allows these countries to collude to drive up the price of oil.

—*Senator Susan Collins, speech on the Senate floor, November 17, 1999*

In this excerpt, Senator Collins proposed legislation intended to address —

- A** Iraqi aggression against neighboring countries
- B** the refusal of the Israeli government to recognize Palestine
- C** the collective economic power of OPEC member nations
- D** the formation of a military coalition among Arab states

Political Views of ?

Supported	Opposed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civil disobedience• Nonviolent resistance• Desegregation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expressions of violence• Political compromises• Racial separatism

The name of which civil rights leader best completes the title of the graphic?

- F** Booker T. Washington
- G** Martin Luther King, Jr.
- H** Stokely Carmichael
- J** Malcolm X

- 45** How does the 1966 Supreme Court decision in *Miranda v. Arizona* continue to affect society?
- A** People accused of a crime have the right to be tried by a jury of their peers.
 - B** Election officials monitor polling sites during elections.
 - C** Federal agencies use affirmative-action guidelines.
 - D** People accused of a crime must be informed of their constitutional rights.
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Advanced Energy Initiative: Changing the Way We Fuel Our Vehicles

- Develop advanced battery technologies that allow a plug-in hybrid-electric vehicle to have a 40-mile range operating solely on battery charge
- Foster the breakthrough technologies needed to make cellulosic ethanol cost-competitive with corn-based ethanol by 2012
- Accelerate progress towards the President’s goal of enabling large numbers of Americans to choose hydrogen fuel cell vehicles by 2020

— *White House National Economic Council, Advanced Energy Initiative, 2006*

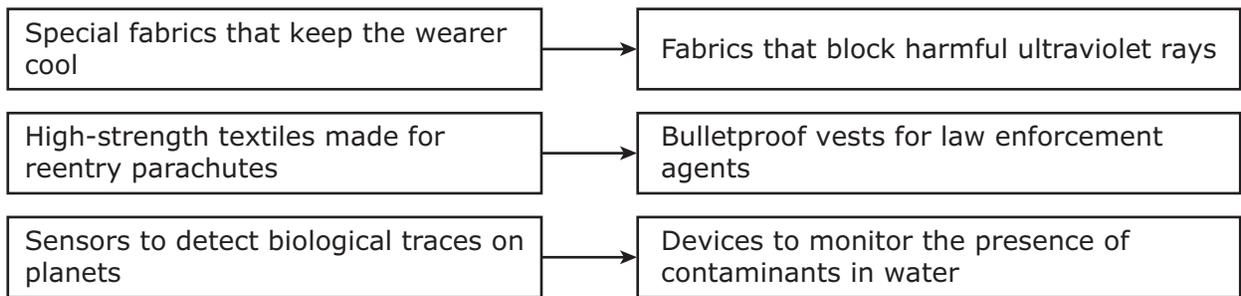
These proposals most clearly reflect the federal government’s developing role in —

- F** harvesting natural resources
 - G** supporting environmental conservation
 - H** nationalizing manufacturing industries
 - J** promoting business competition
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- 47** During the Gilded Age there was a notable increase in federal support for —
- A** the growth of big business
 - B** involvement in foreign wars
 - C** the acquisition of foreign territories
 - D** increased temperance regulations



What was the main effect of the event reported in this headline?

- F** The Soviet Union invaded Japan to gain access to natural resources.
- G** The United States initiated the Marshall Plan to help with the rebuilding of Japan.
- H** Germany surrendered to the Allies and promised to help in the fight against Japan.
- J** World War II ended with Japan surrendering to the Allies.



What is one way to describe the developments shown above?

- A** Effects of programs to monitor national security
- B** Conclusions from research conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency
- C** Program results of the Federal Civil Defense Administration
- D** Practical applications of technologies developed for spaceflight

50 In the late 1800s, the Supreme Court’s decision in *Plessy v. Ferguson* —

- F** established a legal remedy for victims of discrimination
- G** created a legal justification for segregation laws
- H** affirmed the legality of federal regulation of state elections
- J** recognized public protests as a legal form of civil disobedience

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Whoever, when the United States is at war, shall willfully . . . utter, print, write, or publish any disloyal, profane, scurrilous, or abusive language about the form of government of the United States . . . shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment for not more than twenty years, or both. . . .

—*Espionage Act, May 1918*

This law demonstrates that at one time the federal government was willing to —

- A** suspend habeas corpus
- B** confiscate privately owned weapons
- C** force people into internment camps
- D** suspend freedom of speech



THEY WOULD CLOSE TO THE NEW-COMER
THE BRIDGE THAT CARRIED THEM AND THEIR FATHERS OVER

Source: Michigan State University Museum

Which group of people most likely inspired the creation of this 1893 cartoon?

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| F Union leaders | H Political bosses |
| G Philanthropists | J Nativists |

53 The policy objectives of Reaganomics were based on the theory that —

- A** borrowing from foreign countries would help cover the costs of domestic programs
- B** significant increases in government spending would help reduce unemployment
- C** broad tax cuts and financial deregulation would promote economic expansion
- D** reducing trade barriers would result in a budget surplus

- 54** Which of the following has resulted from the increased use of computers in the workplace?
- F** Corporate use of vertical integration has increased.
 - G** Employees are required to sign Internet-usage agreements.
 - H** Unions demand that a forty-hour workweek be enforced.
 - J** The number of employees that are granted off-site access has decreased.

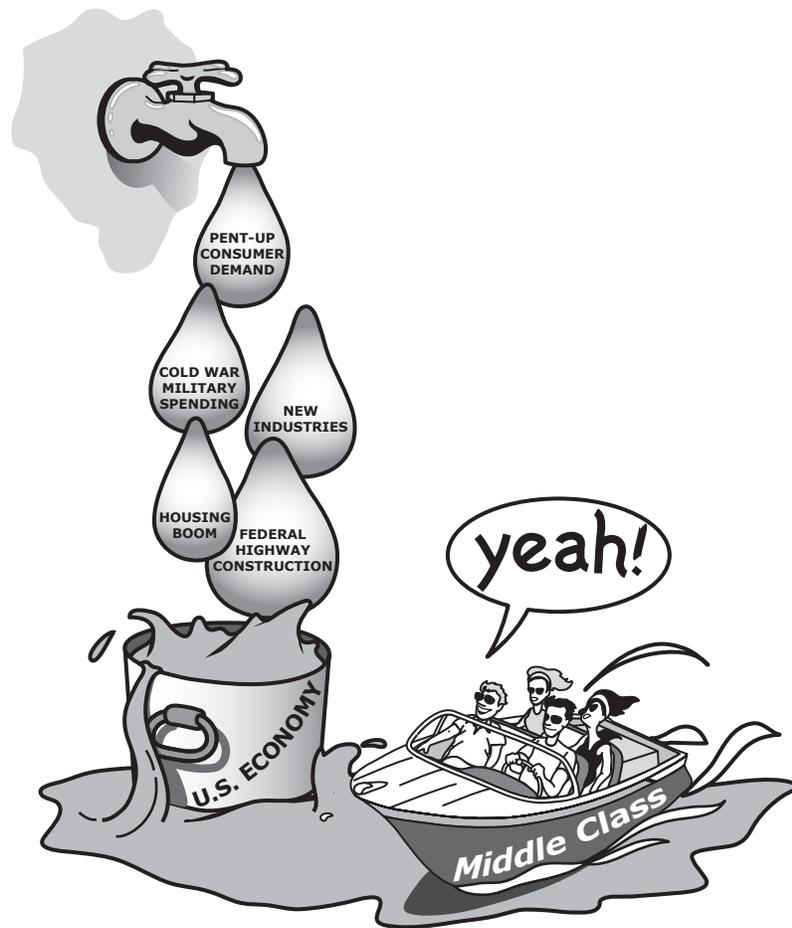
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Last Thursday I described the American form of Government as a three horse team provided by the Constitution to the American people so that their field might be plowed. The three horses are, of course, the three branches of government—the Congress, the Executive and the Courts. Two of the horses are pulling in unison today; the third is not.

—President Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1937

Many members of Congress disagreed with President Roosevelt’s proposed solution to the problem described above because —

- A** the Constitution required hearings to confirm judicial appointments
- B** Supreme Court justices were subject to term limits
- C** the power of the executive branch would increase
- D** the time required for judicial proceedings would increase



What is the best title for this cartoon?

- F** Causes and Effects of Economic Prosperity in the 1950s
- G** Strengths and Weaknesses of Government Economic Policy in the 1960s
- H** Reasons for Government Economic Planning in the 1970s
- J** Major Sources of Consumer Debt in the 1980s

57 General John J. Pershing made a major contribution to the Allied victory in World War I by —

- A** transforming inexperienced troops into an effective military force
- B** developing advanced technologies for battlefield use
- C** requesting humanitarian aid from Congress for war-torn countries
- D** negotiating the terms of the Treaty of Versailles

Selected Foreign-Born Populations
in Florida, 1900

Country of Birth	Population
China	118
Cuba	6,744
Denmark	204
Canada	1,199
Total Foreign-Born in Florida	23,832

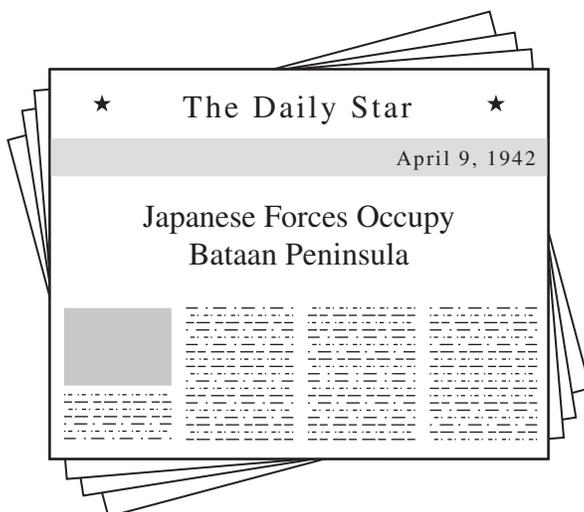
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

This table supports the conclusion that in 1900 —

- F** people moved to areas with religious protections similar to those in their native country
- G** geographic proximity to native countries influenced immigration patterns
- H** economic incentives offered by native countries encouraged emigration
- J** people moved to areas with government regulations similar to those in their native country

59 A student learning about U.S. history is instructed to write a paper about W. E. B. Du Bois and race relations in the United States. Which of the following facts would be most relevant to the student's assignment?

- A** The Selma-to-Montgomery protest marches helped secure voting rights for minority citizens.
- B** The NAACP was organized to help secure full legal equality for minority citizens.
- C** The Civil Rights Act of 1968 outlawed many forms of discrimination in the housing market.
- D** The March on Washington helped rally nationwide support for the Civil Rights movement.



Many of the U.S. soldiers involved in the event mentioned in this headline —

- F** remained in trenches and resisted the Japanese invasion
- G** were exchanged for Japanese prisoners of war
- H** escaped and were redeployed to the European theater
- J** died during a forced march to a prison camp in the Philippines

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The conflict is still sharpening throughout the world between two political systems. The one system represents government by freedom of choice exercised by the individual citizens. In the other, and opposing system, individual freedom and initiative are all made subordinate to the totalitarian state.

—President Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1938

What was the ultimate result of the situation President Roosevelt refers to in this excerpt?

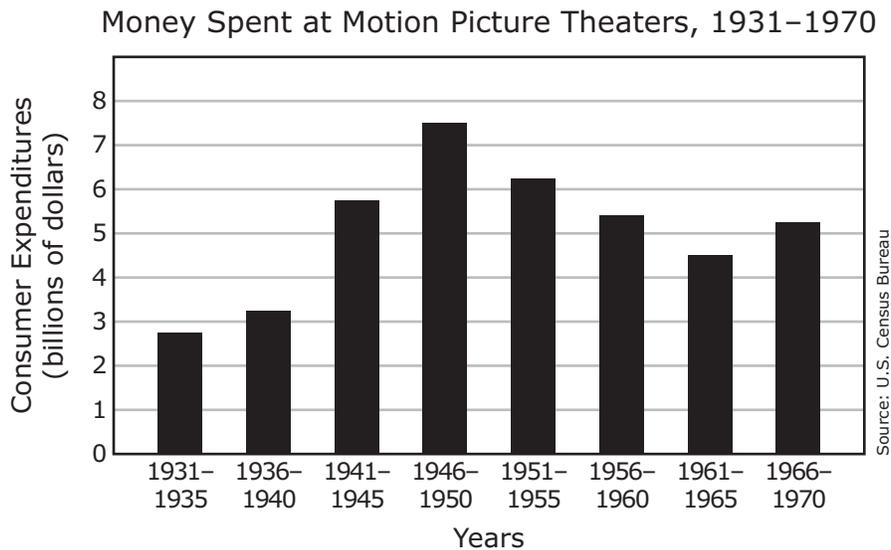
- A** A surge of social unrest in South America
- B** The outbreak of World War II
- C** A shift in favor of the policy of appeasement
- D** The overthrow of the monarchy in Russia

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex. . . .

— 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

What was one way the constitutional amendment excerpted above helped advance the cause of gender equality?

- F** It gave women a greater opportunity to influence government.
- G** It gave women new economic rights, such as property ownership.
- H** It established the idea that women should contribute to all sectors of the economy.
- J** It contributed to a long-term decline in the number of men voting in elections.



Which of these best explains the change in money spent at the movies from 1946 to 1965?

- A** An increase in unemployment
- B** The popularity of television
- C** A decrease in urban population
- D** The resurgence of fundamentalism

- 64** Which of the following was the main reason for the rapid settlement of the Great Plains during the late 1800s?
- F** Congress passed a law requiring all public lands to be sold at auction.
 - G** Congress passed a law allowing people to claim public land and convert it to private property through homesteading.
 - H** Speculators bought large parcels of land and then built factory towns to attract new immigrants.
 - J** Native Americans sold most of their tribal lands directly to railroad companies.
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- 65** During the 1950s the federal government funded educational initiatives in math and science in response to —
- A** the development of the ENIAC computer
 - B** the announcement of international education guidelines
 - C** the successful launch of the first artificial satellite
 - D** the discovery of new chemical elements
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- 66** How did the Zimmermann telegram influence U.S. entry into World War I?
- F** It announced the czar's overthrow in Russia.
 - G** It revealed a proposed military alliance between Mexico and Germany.
 - H** It contained orders for German U-boats to destroy British passenger ships.
 - J** It described Romania's plan to abandon neutrality.



A 1974 Herblock Cartoon, copyright by The Herb Block Foundation

The incident illustrated by this cartoon increased cynicism toward the U.S. government because —

- A** the press secretary failed to keep the public informed of national policy changes
- B** the president directed a conspiracy to mislead the nation
- C** the Supreme Court overruled federal statutes that defined confidentiality
- D** Congress failed to pass legislation enforcing protection of privacy rights

68 Which headline describes an event that resulted from the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001?

F "Israeli-Palestinian Negotiations Resume"

G "Debt Crisis Shakes European Union"

H "Russia Increases Petroleum Exports"

J "Troops Deployed to Afghanistan"



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