

1950s slang assignment

You must choose ten of the terms and write a story relating to the 1950s. Try to incorporate things we have talked about in class. Be prepared to read your story on Monday!

1 page written, if you write really **big** make it longer, and if you write small make it shorter.

Here are the scenarios you should base your story on:

1. Hanging out at the diner with your friends after school
2. Going out to a drive-in movie
3. Having dinner with your suburban family

ankle-biter: a child

are you writing a book?: you're asking too many questions

apple butter: flattery, smooth talker

baby: cute girl

back seat bingo: kissing in the car

bash ears: to talk

big daddy: an older person

blast: a good time

burn rubber: to accelerate hard and fast in a car

cat: a hip person

classy chassis: a great body

come on snake, let's rattle: may I have the next dance?

cooties: imaginary infestations of the truly un-cool

cruisin' for a bruisin': looking for trouble

cut the gas: be quiet

Daddy-O: term of address to a person

dibs: to claim something

don't have a cow: don't get so excited

flick: movie

flutter bum: good looking guy

fream: someone who does not fit in

give me a bell: call me on the phone

goose it: accelerate quickly in a car

hip: in the know, current

hottie: fast car

knuckle sandwich: a fist in the face

nosebleed: insult, like stupid

on cloud nine: really happy

pad: home or apartment

paper shaker: cheerleader or Pom-Pom girl

put an egg in your shoe and beat it!: leave!

rattle your cage: get upset

salty: angry

scooch: a friend

stable the horses: park the car

square: some one who follows all the rules, doesn't take risks

swell: awesome

tight: good friends

tube steak: hot dog

wet rag: someone who is no fun

what gives?: whats happening?

word from the bird: the truth

THE KOREAN WAR 1950 –1953

What was the situation in Korea after the Second World War?

- America's policy was *to contain Communism* (to stop it spreading). In 1949, China became Communist and it seemed like containment had failed in Asia.
- Korea (China's neighbour) used to be ruled by Japan, but at the end of World War II, it was divided between the USA and the USSR along the 38th parallel until a government could be elected to run the whole country.
- In August 1948, the Americans set up the Republic of Korea in the south, with Syngman Rhee as the first president. A month later, the Russians set up the Korean People's Democratic Republic in the north, ruled by Kim Il Sung, a Red Army captain. Each man claimed to represent the whole country.

Try to predict what happened next. Which countries will be involved and what exactly will they do? Write 2-3 sentences.

KOREAN WAR Qs

1. Why did the war start?
2. Who was the US president who gave the S. Koreans support?
3. What happened during the war?
4. What was the end result of the Korean War?

Chapter 27.1- Adjusting to Peace

Nuremberg Trials

Yalta Conference

United Nations

**Soviets our
Friends?**

**Containment
Policy**

Truman Doctrine

Marshall Plan

Chapter 27.2 A New Red Scare

Red Scare

HUAC

Joe McCarthy

Fear of the Bomb

**Americans Prepare
for the worst**

Communism deals with a nation's political and economic policies. These policies are designed to completely control all levels of society. A dictatorship, but not of one person rule, but one political party rule. The primary policies revolve around these ideas:

- community owned property (no private ownership or very limited ownership; citizenry are rationed supplies and housing having very little choice of they want)
- high taxation (since most functions are handled by the government the private savings of citizens are taken; the side effect of this is that no private market will open up to competition and no free will of citizens)
- censorship (no citizen is allowed to protest the government; also censors entertainment and luxury items)

Your question is very leading in saying "why communism is bad". Many people believe that communism can only lead to world peace and unity. My belief is that communism kills ambition and free will and can strangle any kind of individual rights. The three most famous communist nations evolved very differently. USSR used war to expand into an empire and used massive "cleansing" programs on its citizens. It also led to a failing of its market economy, perpetuating its eventual collapse in 1989. North Korea also implemented a strict military control of its nation and structured economy. The North Korean citizens live in near poverty conditions but are a very solid functioning nation. China followed the USSR example, but recently opened their borders more to "freer" economies and entertainment outlets. But censorship in both of these nations are very strict.

The main reason America is "afraid" of communism is that eliminates the most defining part of America. That the power of the government is from "we the people". The first ten amendments to the constitution (Bill of Rights) guarantees that the citizens of America have rights that no government can suppress or ignore. Personal freedom is the primary difference between America and the rest of the world.

Communism is an economic and political system in which the state (Government) makes almost all the economic decisions and owns all the major factors of production. In some communist countries the state has outlawed certain religions, changing jobs, moving to towns of their choice.

Communism fails because it controls how much of everything is produced. Sometimes it does a really bad job and there can be food shortages and clothing shortages. Also because of huge taxes business people have no incentive to work hard because the state will take a majority of their money anyway.

In some communism countries like Cuba and North Korea have issues getting goods and services available in most other countries (tylenol is a good example, in cuba it might not be available, or quite expensive per pill if they do have it)

Formerly communist countries have slowly been adopting other methods of government, and many have been succeeding such as Vietnam and China.



1. What organization is the cartoon talking about?
2. What is the caption suppose to mean?
3. Is this artist in favor of the "hunters"?



1. How does this cartoon represent the craziness of the Red Scare investigations?



1. Who might the guy in the court room represent?
2. Evaluate the evidence: Is this quality proof someone is a Communist? Why or why not?

Baby Boom

Why are Americans have more kids?

Sun Belt

Why move to the Sun Belt?

Growth of Suburbs

Why did some complain about Suburbs?

Urban Renewal Program

How did the URP help major cities?