

**The Century: "Best Years: 1946-1952"**

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1. What warning did British Prime Minister Winston Churchill give in his speech?
2. How did Joseph Stalin, Soviet Premier, react to this?
3. What was the homecoming like after WWII?
4. What did the G.I. Bill of Rights do?
5. Give the price and size of houses common in the late 1940s:

How did people feel about such houses?

6. What did the sense of limitless opportunities lead to for white Americans?

What happened to the hopes of women partially because of this?

7. How were conditions for African Americans at that point?

What 2 things did Truman do about this?

What did Jackie Robinson do?

8. How did people feel about the US at that time, including Winston Churchill?

9. Describe conditions in Europe in the post-war period:

10. What did the US fear would happen in these countries?

What did we decide to do about it?

11. How did Soviet actions in Eastern Europe affect the citizens of those countries?

12. How did Soviet troops treat the Germans after the war?

13. What did the Allies do with the city of Berlin after the war?

14. How did Stalin show his contempt for the West?

15. How did Truman choose to solve this problem instead of going to war?

16. How did Stalin shock the world 3 months later?

How did Americans react?

17. How did Americans feel when they learned that China had become Communist in 1949?

18. How did the US act on those feelings in Korea in 1950?

19. How did Americans' reception of returning Korean War veterans represent how they felt about the war?

20. How did Julius and Ethel Rosenberg spark a red scare?

21. How did popular literature and film reflect the Cold War and red scare?

22. Describe how the actions of the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) affected people:

23. What did General Douglas MacArthur want to do in Korea instead of being content with containment?

What did Truman do about this?

24. What new technology was developed at that point?

25. Who were the Republican presidential and vice presidential candidates in 1952?

26. Describe the impact of television on society in the 1950s: