

★ Guided Reading Activity 23-1

DIRECTIONS: Filling in the Blanks In the space provided, write the word or words that best complete the sentence. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

1. After the war, many Americans worried that as military production halted and millions of former soldiers glutted the labor market, _____ and _____ might sweep the country.
2. Higher prices and inflation triggered labor unrest and strikes in the automobile, electrical, _____, and _____ industries.
3. The Taft-Hartley Act outlawed the practice of forcing employers to hire only _____.
4. In February 1948, Truman asked Congress to pass a broad civil rights bill that would protect African Americans' _____, abolish poll taxes, and make _____ a federal crime.
5. Truman issued an executive order barring discrimination in _____, and he ended segregation in the _____.
6. Although Truman's Republican opponent, _____, was a very popular candidate, Truman was able to win the election of 1948 by a narrow margin.
7. Although legislators did not completely support Truman's ideas, they did raise the _____, increased Social Security benefits, and extended them to _____ additional people.
8. Congress also passed the _____, which provided for the construction of more than 800,000 units of _____, accompanied by long-term rent subsidies.
9. Truman's _____ ended as the war in _____ consumed national attention and resources.
10. _____ ran as the Republican nominee for president in 1952.
11. Shortly after taking office, Eisenhower abolished the _____, which, since 1932, had lent money to banks, railroads, and other institutions.
12. In 1956, Congress passed the _____, which granted \$25 billion to build over 40,000 miles of _____.
13. Although he cut federal spending, Eisenhower continued the _____ by extending Social Security benefits and unemployment compensation to more Americans.