

★ Guided Reading Activity 23-2

DIRECTIONS: Outlining Read the section and complete the outline below. Refer to your textbook to fill in the blanks.

I. American Abundance

- A.** John Kenneth Galbraith said that in the past all societies had an economy of _____; now the United States had what Galbraith called an economy of _____.
- B.** In the 1950s, the number of suburban dwellers _____, while the population of _____ rose only 10 percent.
- C.** From 1945 to 1961, a period known as the _____, more than 65 million children were born in the United States.
- D.** In 1956, more Americans were working in offices in _____ jobs, outnumbering _____ workers for the first time.
- E.** The 1950s also witnessed the rise of _____, in which a person can own and run one or several stores in a chain operation.

II. Scientific Advances

- A.** In 1947 three American physicists developed the _____, making it possible to miniaturize radios and _____.
- B.** In 1946 scientists developed _____—one of the nation's earliest computers.
- C.** Scientists made several medical advances including new treatments for _____, such as radiation and chemotherapy.

III. The New Mass Media

- A.** By 1957, more than 80 percent of families had _____.
- B.** Radio had one audience that television could not reach—people traveling in their _____.

IV. New Music and Poetry

- A.** Rock 'n' roll was a new music form that stemmed from _____ rhythms and sounds.
- B.** _____ poets, writers, and artists harshly criticized what they considered the sterility and conformity of American life.