

**Guided Reading Activity 29-3**

**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. The rapid economic growth and emphasis on accumulating wealth in the 1980s was partly caused by the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. By the mid-1990s, the top 5 percent of Americans earned well over \_\_\_\_\_ percent of the nation's income.
3. \_\_\_\_\_, or the practice of selling large quantities of goods at low prices, had a major impact on the economy in the 1980s.
4. Entrepreneurs helped to change broadcasting by spreading \_\_\_\_\_ and specialty channels across the country.
5. In 1981 music and technology merged, and \_\_\_\_\_ went on the air.
6. Rap, the new sound of the '80s, offered rhythmic lyrics that often focused on the \_\_\_\_\_ experience in the inner city.
7. Early video games grew out of \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ became the new spot for young people to meet.
9. Ongoing problems with \_\_\_\_\_ in the 1980s made many neighborhoods dangerous.
10. In 1980 \_\_\_\_\_ was founded to look for effective solutions to underage drinking problems and drunk driving.
11. In 1981 researchers identified a disease which caused seemingly healthy young men to become sick and die. They named it \_\_\_\_\_, or AIDS.
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ marked the beginning of the gay activist movement.
13. Musicians in England organized \_\_\_\_\_ concerts in 1984 to help starving people in Ethiopia.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ organized Farm Aid to help American farmers.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ became an influential interest group in the 1980s because they tended to vote in large numbers.