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Reteaching Activity 24

The New Frontier and the Great Society, 1961–1968

President Kennedy proclaimed the 1960s the decade of a New Frontier. President Johnson later promoted his Great Society agenda. Both presidents, aided by the activist Warren Court, sought to build a better society for all. The Cold War overshadowed both presidents as each strived to contain the communist revolutions that were occurring throughout the world.

DIRECTIONS: Indicate on the left blank whether each of the following landmark events or programs occurred during the Kennedy or Johnson administration. Then briefly describe each event's or program's significance.

1. Peace Corps:
2. Reynolds v. Sims:
3. Medicare/Medicaid:
4. Alliance for Progress:
5. War on Poverty:
6. Miranda v. Arizona:
7. Project Head Start:
8. Cuban Missile Crisis:
9. Department of Housing and Urban Development:

10. Critical Thinking We continue to wage the war on poverty. In your opinion, who can best solve the problem of poverty: big government, community-based charities, or individuals themselves? What strategies best alleviate the problem?