Guided Reading Activity

The Resurgence of Conservatism, 1980–1992

Lesson 3 Life in the 1980s

Review Questions: Identifying Supporting Details

Directions: Read each main idea. Use your textbook to supply the details that support or explain each main idea.

- A. Main Idea: The booming economy of the 1980s brought about a revolution in retail, technology, and the media.
 - 1. Detail: The rapid economic growth of the 1980s was partly caused by the _____

Their concerns helped shape the _____

2. Detail: Strong economic growth most benefited ______- and _____- and ______- class

Americans.

3. Detail: A new method of selling goods called ______ began to have a major impact. The

most successful of these chains was ______, which was founded by ______.

- 4. Detail: Entrepreneurs transformed the ______ and _____ and ______ industries.

_____ pioneered a new kind of broadcasting by creating ______, the first

television ____

5. Detail: In the 1980s, the ______ made music portable. It was a new way for

people to ______ music. Video technology changed with the introduction of

_____, enabling people to ______ whenever they wished.

6. Detail: Technology allowed for a new form of entertainment called ______. Early forms developed from ______ technology.

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B. Main Idea: The 1980s had its social problems, such as drug abuse and AIDS, and activist groups were formed to develop public awareness.

1.	Detail: Social problems such as,,		, homelessness, and	
	continued to plague the country. The		epidemic was first	
	found in	n It soon spread to		men and women. The Stonewal
	Riot marked the beginning of the			
2.	Detail: Many	and		raised awareness of social issues by
	presenting concerts, s	such as	and	Another activist group
	was Their major lobbying organization is			

Summary and Reflection

Directions: Summarize the main ideas of this lesson by answering the question below.

How did technology change American life in the 1980s?