CHAPTER ASSESSMENT

TERMS & NAMES
For each term or name below, write a sentence explaining its connection to the Kennedy and Johnson administrations.

1. John F. Kennedy
2. Fidel Castro
3. Berlin Wall
4. hot line
5. New Frontier
6. Peace Corps
7. Warren Commission
8. War on Poverty
9. Medicare and Medicaid
10. Warren Court

MAIN IDEAS
Use your notes and the information in the chapter to answer the following questions.

Kennedy and the Cold War (pages 876–884)
1. Explain the factors that led to Kennedy’s victory over Nixon in the 1960 presidential campaign.
2. What were the most significant results of the Cuban missile crisis?

The New Frontier (pages 885–889)
3. What was Kennedy’s New Frontier? Why did he have trouble getting his New Frontier legislation through Congress?
4. What two international aid programs were launched during the Kennedy administration?
5. How did Kennedy’s assassination affect the public?

The Great Society (pages 892–899)
6. Describe ways that Great Society programs addressed the problem of poverty.
7. How did the courts increase the political power of people in urban areas and those accused of crimes?

CRITICAL THINKING
1. USING YOUR NOTES Use a Venn diagram to show the major legislative programs of the New Frontier and the Great Society.

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- Cuban missile crisis
- Bay of Pigs
- race to the moon
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- increased minimum wage to $1.25
- extended unemployment insurance
- provided assistance to cities with high unemployment
- supported civil rights

The Great Society
- Proposed by JFK, passed under LBJ
- Great Society reform legislation and federal assistance programs
- war on poverty
- increased protection of individual rights
- pushed civil rights bill through Congress
- EOA, VISTA, Project Head Start
- established Medicare and Medicaid
- changed immigration laws to open doors for many non-European immigrants
- furthered environmental movement
- cut taxes but increased budget deficit

2. MAKING GENERALIZATIONS John F. Kennedy said, “My fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country.” Do you agree with his view about the relationship between individuals and the country? Explain your opinion.

3. EVALUATING Do you think the Great Society helped people achieve their hopes of making life better for themselves and their children? Explain.

VISUAL SUMMARY

The New Frontier and The Great Society

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1. Based on the quotation, it is reasonable to infer that Senator Goldwater probably opposed —
A. the space race.
B. the Bay of Pigs invasion.
C. the Tax Reduction Act.
D. the Limited Test Ban Treaty.

2. Lyndon Johnson helped to bring about all of the following except —
F. the Voting Rights Act.
G. Head Start.
H. Social Security.
J. Medicare.

3. Which of the following is true about the graph?
A. Johnson’s war on poverty failed.
B. Poverty began to rise again after 1969.
C. Poverty decreased throughout the 1960s.
D. In 1960, the poverty level was about 12%.