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Life in the 1980’s Reading Guide (Pg 754-759)

Online Textbook (Pg 982- 987)

**A Booming Economy Pg 754**

1. Describe the American economy by 1983

 2. Who mostly benefited from the strong economic growth of the 1980’s? Give specifics about that growth.

**A Retail Revolution Pg 754-755**

3. What was discount retailing? What are several major stores that started BOOMING in the 1980s?

 4. Who was the richest person in the United States by 1985? What was he the founder of?

 5. Besides having great deals for people, how did these huge companies help middle and lower class people? (going to have to apply some thinking here)

**A Revolution in Media Pg 756-757**

6. How did Ted Turner save a failing TV station in Atlanta and create the first “superstation?”

 7. How did Turner’s innovation change broadcasting? What are some new networks that popped up?

 8. What Impact did MTV and music videos have in the 1980’s? Why were they criticized?

 9. What invention made music portable in the 1980s? How did that technology progress through the 1990s and 2000’s?

 10. What technology helped produce the first video games? How large were the sales of video games in the early 1980s?

**New Social Activism Pg 758-759**

11. List several problems that continued to plague the nation.

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 12. What did schools start doing to try to reduce drug use? What did the Supreme Court rule in the New Jersey versus T.L.O. case? Explain how the applied the fourth amendment to students.

13. How did the congress get most states to raise the drinking age to 21?

14. What did AIDS stand for? How does it eventually kill people?

15. List several ways that AIDS was spread. How many cases were identified in the 1980’s?

**New Activist Groups Pg 759**

16. How did musicians try to help fix many social issues in the 1980s? Provide one example.

 17. What organization did Senior citizens form to lobby for their interests?