**Honors U.S. History**

**“Library Research Assignment – The 1950s – Happy Days – Part II”**

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Click on the button under “Unit Eleven,” beginning with “The 1950s: Happy Days” and answer the following questions:

1. How do the “Happy Days” of the post-WWII era compare and contrast with the “Roaring Twenties?”
2. Describe the Modern Republicanism of President Eisenhower.
3. What forces contributed to a rapidly expanding domestic economy after World War II?
4. Were America’s fears and paranoia concerning Communism justified in the 1950s? Explain.
5. Read McCarthy’s speech and complete the following:
	1. Identify any historical references or allusions.
	2. Does her make a sound argument?
	3. What does he mean by an “emotional hangover?”
6. What was McCarthy’s tragic mistake?
7. Who was Dalton Trumbo?
8. After considering all the evidence, was the Second Red Scare justified in your opinion? Explain in a paragraph.
9. Define or identify the following:
	1. Suburbs
	2. William Levitt
	3. Ray Kroc
	4. TV Guide
	5. I Love Lucy
	6. The Lone Ranger
10. Explain how the new medium of television both helped and hurt Richard Nixon.
11. Describe advertising in the 1950s. What products had the best ads?
12. Who was Edward Murrow? How is he related to the McCarthy era?
13. Describe the developments in American music during the 1950s.
14. Who was Bert the Turtle?
15. For what reasons did British, French, and Israeli armies invade Egypt?
16. What was the Eisenhower Doctrine and how did it play out?
17. What was “brinkmanship?”
18. For what reasons did the judge deem the crime of the Rosenberg’s to be “worse than murder?”
19. Describe the work of the newly created CIA in the 1950s.
20. Explain why tensions escalated between the United States and Soviet Union in the 1950s.