

1950's Fun Day

Station #1 – Television

Watch the clip from Pleasantville and answer the following

1. What role does the father and mother play in the video. How is he/she presented to the audience?

2. What stereotypes do you think 1950's TV shows promoted?

3. Compare these TV shows to a sitcom of today.

Station #2 – Music

Listen to the music and lyrics and watch the powerpoint and answer the questions below.

1. Why was the car so popular in the 1950's?

2. What style of music was popular in the 1950's? Who do you think would listen to it?

Station #3 – Fads/Fashions/Ads

Look through the examples of the fashion, fads and advertisements of the 1950's. When you are finished practice the hoola hoop.

1. What were some of the new products being advertised in the 1950's.

2. How were women portrayed in the ads? Why?

3. Describe the fashions and list some of the more popular fads of the 1950's.

Station 4 – Teenagers

Look through pages 12- 17 of the scrapbook.

1. Describe what high school life was like for a teenager.

2. Why were teenagers considered a “new generation”?

Station 5 - Baby Boom and Food

Read through the papers before you and with my help complete the following

1. Define baby boom. When did it occur?

2. What impact did it have on society?

3. Look at the collection of food items before you. They were all introduced in the 1950's. What do they all have in common? Why do you think we needed these types of food items in the 1950's?

1950's Fun Facts:

Choose two Fun Facts posted around the room. Tell me about two new things (not your own) that came out in the 1950's and why they were important.

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