

8.3 The Red Scare

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Total: 12 marks

Objective

Build the skills to explain the **domestic Cold War** 国内的冷战.

You must be able to:

- state what Americans debated
- state what both parties supported
- explain the difference between the strategy and the methods
- connect this to 7.6's earlier Red Scare

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ The debate

Americans debated **policies and methods designed to expose suspected communists within the United States.**

■ The agreement

Even as both parties supported the broader strategy of containing communism. The argument was about the domestic methods, not about the foreign policy.

■ Strategy and methods

This distinction is the subtopic. A person could support containment abroad and object to loyalty investigations at home without contradiction, which is why the CED separates the two.

■ The earlier scare

7.6 recorded a Red Scare during and after the First World War, when **increased anxiety about radicalism led to attacks on labor activism and immigrant culture.** The pattern recurs, which makes it a subject for comparison.

2 Practice

2.1 State what Americans debated and what both parties supported. [2]

2.2 Explain the difference between the strategy and the methods. [2]

2.3 There was an earlier Red Scare.

(a) State when and what it involved. [2]

(b) State why the distinction is the subtopic's point. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 Both parties supported the broader strategy of [1]

- **A** containing communism
 - **B** loyalty investigations
 - **C** détente
 - **D** disarmament
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3.2 The earlier Red Scare followed [1]

- **A** World War I
 - **B** the Civil War
 - **C** the Depression
 - **D** Reconstruction
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3.3 Someone supports containment abroad and opposes loyalty investigations at home.

(a) State whether this is contradictory. [1]

(b) Explain the reasoning.

[2]

4 Go further

- work through the **8.3 The Red Scare** lesson on the **Learn** page;
- read the **Period 8: 1945-1980** section of the AP US History handout on the **Know** page.

Solutions

2.1 policies and methods designed to expose suspected communists within the United States; the broader strategy of containing communism.

2.2 the strategy concerned foreign policy; the methods concerned domestic investigation, and the argument was about the second.

2.3 (a) during and after World War I, when anxiety about radicalism led to attacks on labor activism and immigrant culture. (b) the two can be separated, so agreement on one does not settle the other.

3.1 A. containing communism.

3.2 A. World War I.

3.3 (a) no. (b) the two questions are distinct, and the CED records that both parties agreed on the strategy while the methods were debated.