

Television Changes America

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Understanding the Impact of TV in the 1950s

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Answer the following questions based on the lesson about how television changed American culture in the 1950s.

1. What was a popular TV show in the 1950s that changed family dynamics?

- A. Friends
- B. I Love Lucy
- C. The Office

2. Television had no impact on family gatherings in the 1950s.

- True False

3. How did television become a central part of American family life in the 1950s?

4. Television changed the role of ____ by introducing advertising that targeted families.

5. What is one way families might have spent their time together differently because of television?

- A. Playing board games
- B. Watching movies in theaters
- C. Watching TV shows together

6. Why is it important to be mindful of the media we consume?

7. The messages communicated by TV shows in the 1950s were always positive and uplifting.

- True False

8. The memory verse Philippians 4:8 encourages us to think about things that are ____ and lovely.

9. What was one of the first mass-produced items in American homes in the 1950s?

- A. Refrigerators
- B. Televisions
- C. Washing machines

10. In what ways is media different today compared to the 1950s?

Answer Key

1. I Love Lucy 2. False 3. Television became central as families would gather around it to watch shows together, creating shared experiences and discussions. 4. advertising 5. Watching TV shows together 6. It is important because media can influence our thoughts and feelings, and we should choose content that aligns with our values and promotes positive messages. 7. False 8. true 9. Televisions 10. Today, media is more diverse with access to the internet, streaming services, and social media. People can choose what to watch at any time, unlike the scheduled shows of the 1950s.