

CHAPTER
12**Section 1****GUIDED READING***Americans Struggle with Postwar Issues*

- A.** As you read this section, take notes to answer questions about postwar conditions in America and the fear of communism.

After World War I, many Americans feared that Communists would take over the country.

1. How did the Justice Department under A. Mitchell Palmer respond to this fear?



2. Why did Palmer eventually lose his standing with the American public?

3. How did the Ku Klux Klan respond to this fear?



4. Why did the Klan eventually lose popularity and membership?

Public opinion turned against labor unions as many Americans came to believe that unions encouraged communism.

5. Why was the strike by Boston police unpopular with the public?



6. Why did Massachusetts governor Calvin Coolidge become so popular?

7. Why was the strike at U.S. Steel unpopular?



8. How did President Wilson respond to the steel strike?

The American labor union movement suffered setbacks as union membership dropped.

- B.** On the back of this paper, briefly describe how **Sacco and Vanzetti** became victims of the Red Scare. Then explain how **John L. Lewis** improved the lives of coal miners.