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Comprehension Check #1

21. What was the primary reason why Harding's call for a "return to normalcy" was so appealing?

- A** Americans questioned the shift from an agricultural society to an industrial society.
- B** Most Americans were fundamentalists who sought a return to traditional values.
- C** Most Americans feared a second world war and wanted to reunite families.
- D** Americans were eager to put the pain of World War I behind them.

22. The most pressing problem that the Harding administration faced was:

- A** Maintaining an uneasy peace following World War I
- B** Combating organized crime in the cities
- C** Ensuring that the U.S. economy was stable and consumer based
- D** Dealing with corruption among members of the cabinet

23. Which of the following best summarizes Coolidge's stance on government's role in the economy?

- A** The government must always remain calm in the face of market upswings and downfalls.
- B** To restore integrity to the presidency, government must regulate business deals.
- C** To ensure prosperity, the government should interfere with business as little as possible.
- D** The government should focus on developing strong business leaders to take care of the economy.

24. Which of the following was NOT a result of Ford's use of the assembly line?

- A** Unions were no longer needed to protect workers.
- B** Workers were trained to do one or two tasks on the line.
- C** All automobiles produced were nearly identical.
- D** Ford could lower the cost of the automobile to the consumer.

25. Which pair below contributed most to the creation of a consumer economy?

- A** Industrialization and the decline of unions
- B** Economies of scale and speakeasy culture
- C** Consumer credit and mass advertising
- D** Higher wages and availability of benefits