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# Culture, Civil Rights, & the Cold War

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- **Q** 2. Where was a woman's place in the 1950's? **IN THE HOME WITH A HUSBAND** 
  - 3. Why couldn't Ruby find his house? **BECAUSE THEY ALL LOOKED ALIKE**
  - 4. Keeping up with the Jones' meant keeping up with the purchasing of who? **THE NEIGHBORS**

### Entertainment

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- 6. How much of their time did people spend watching TV? 1/3<sup>RD</sup> OF THEIR WAKING HOURS
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  - 8. Who was the first superstar of the new type of music? **ELVIS PRESELY**

## The Black Community

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- 10. What kind of protest did Martin Luther King organize? **NON VIOLENT PROTESTS/BOYCOTT BUSES**
- **Q** 11. What did Brown vs. Board of Education desegregate? **THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS** 
  - 12. The police didn't help the "Little Rock 9" students into the schools, what did Eisenhower have to do? HE SENT THE MILITARY TO ESCORT THE STUDENTS (101sts AIRBORN)

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  - 14. What was the alternative purpose of the project? **FOR THE MILITARY TO BE ABLE TO MOVE** EASILY IN CASE OF A CRISIS

### Cold War

- 15. Why were scientists doing a lot of experiments with rockets? THEY WANTED A DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR NUCLEAR WEAPONS
- 16. What was Sputnik? THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL ROCKET DELIVERY SYSTEM (BY USSR)
- 17. What scandal made people start to question how trustworthy TV was? THE QUIZ SHOW RIGGING