

Exercise walk-through

Economy After 1945 ■ 8.4

eXercise

You must be able to

- name the four things that spurred economic growth
- state the two migrations increasing social mobility encouraged
- state what emerged as a significant political and economic force
- explain how education and mobility are connected

Method — Four causes

A burgeoning private sector, federal spending, the baby boom, and technological developments helped spur economic growth. Federal spending is on the list beside private growth.

Method — Two migrations

As higher education opportunities and new technologies rapidly expanded, increasing social mobility encouraged the migration of the middle class to the suburbs and of many Americans to the South and West.

Method — The Sun Belt

The Sun Belt region emerged as a significant political and economic force. A demographic shift with a political consequence, which 9.5 continues.

Method — Education and mobility

Expanded higher education raises what people can earn and where they can work. Mobility follows, and suburbanisation is what mobility bought.

Practice 2.1 ■ 2 marks

Name the four things that spurred economic growth.

Solution 2.1

Method: Four causes

Worked steps

a burgeoning private sector; federal spending; the baby boom; technological developments **B2**.

Practice 2.2 ■ 2 marks

State the two migrations increasing social mobility encouraged.

Solution 2.2

Method: Two migrations

Worked steps

the middle class to the suburbs **B1**; many Americans to the South and West **B1**.

Practice 2.3 ■ 2 marks

A demographic shift had a political consequence.

- (a) State it.
- (b) Explain the link between education and mobility.

Solution 2.3

Method: The Sun Belt

Worked steps

(a) the Sun Belt emerged as a significant political and economic force **B2**. (b) expanded education raises earnings and widens where people can work **B1**, so mobility rises with it **B1**.

Exam-style 3.1 ■ 1 mark

Among the causes of postwar growth the CED lists

A federal spending

B falling wages

C reduced trade

D the Depression

Solution 3.1

Method: Four causes

A federal spending



B falling wages

C reduced trade

D the Depression

Worked steps

A. federal spending.

Exam-style 3.2 ■ 1 mark

The region that emerged as a significant political and economic force is

A the Sun Belt

B New England

C the Rust Belt

D the Great Plains

Solution 3.2

Method: The Sun Belt

A the Sun Belt



B New England

C the Rust Belt

D the Great Plains

Worked steps

A. the Sun Belt.

Exam-style 3.3 ■ 1 mark

Higher education expands and people move.

- (a) State the connection.
- (b) Explain what suburbanisation represents in this chain.

Solution 3.3

Method: Education and mobility

Worked steps

(a) education increases what people can earn and where they can work **B1**. (b) it is what the new mobility was spent on **B1**, converting rising incomes into a change in where Americans lived **B1**.