Introduction



Image: Adult booklet for survival, issued in 1950. Click the **NEXT** button on the bottom of the player to learn more about how the ever present risk of a nuclear war impacted the lives of everyday Americans.



Nuclear Attack Drills



Similar to how your school holds regular fire drills, during the 1950s and 1960s, schools practiced nuclear attack drills. Students were taught to duck under their desks and cover their heads.



Bomb Shelters



The United States government encouraged Americans to build bomb shelters in their homes.



Fallout Shelter Supplies



Families that had fallout shelters in their homes, needed to keep them stocked with supplies. What kinds of supplies would you have brought into a bomb shelter?



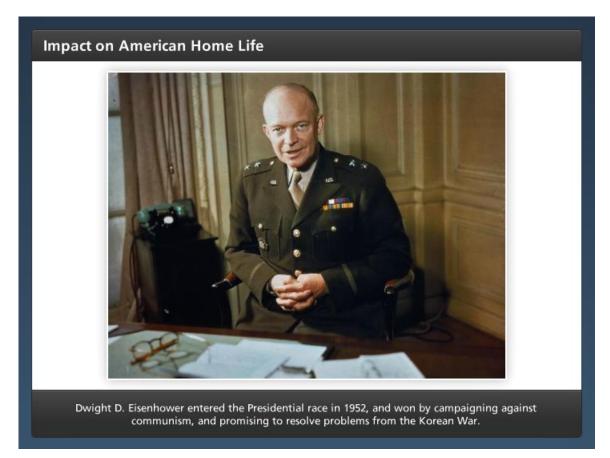
Presidential Elections



Fears created by the Cold War created a focus on foreign policy issues during presidential elections. Adlai Stevenson used this campaign poster when he ran against Eisenhower in 1952.



Eisenhower's Presidential Election



Dwight D. Eisenhower entered the Presidential race in 1952, and won by campaigning against communism and promising to resolve problems from the Korean War.

