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Cold War/Film

The Way We Never Were Reading Questions

1. What does the author say the roles of women and men were in the family? How were the public images of Hollywood stars reworked to portray this? How did this relate to the Cold War struggle with the Soviet Union? Explain.

2. What two ways does the author note that the 1950s American Family was a more complex reality than what '50s television sit-coms conveyed? Explain.

3. What happened to women and men who did not accept the societal norms of the 1950s? How did this relate to the greater struggle against Communism during the Cold War? Explain.

4. What kinds of discontent and dissatisfaction did women and men have in their marriages during the 1950s? Explain.