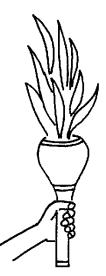
H-458 KENNEDY'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

"Let the word go forth from this time and place, to friend and foe alike, that the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans ..."

John F. Kennedy, Inaugural Address



PART I: MULTIPLE CHOICE

- 1. The torch in the illustration symbolizes (a) leadership (b) violence (c) war (d) independence
- 2. In the quotation above, Kennedy implies that (a) only young people could serve in the government (b) new approaches to domestic and international problems would be made (c) the older political parties would decline (d) he owed his election to political idealists
- 3. The message of President Kennedy's Address probably had the greatest appeal to which of the following groups? (a) young voters (b) conservatives (c) isolationists (d) older citizens
- 4. "And let every other power know that this hemisphere intends to remain the master of its own house." This was intended to reaffirm the (a) Open Door Policy (b) Good Neighbor Policy (c) Monroe Doctrine (d) Atlantic Charter
- 5. "... that both sides begin anew the quest for peace, before the dark powers of destruction unleashed by science, engulf all humanity in planned or accidental self-destruction." Kennedy is referring to (a) United States and Russia (b) United States and China (c) West Germany and East Germany (d) Israel and Arab States
- 6. Why did Kennedy make an appeal for popular support in his Address? (a) Nixon supporters controlled Congress (b) threats of violence from university students (c) he won the election by a narrow margin (d) racial problems in the South

PART II: Before each of the following quotations, write the letter of the program or event of the Kennedy administration to which it best relates.

- A. United Nations C. Cuban Missile Crisis E. Peace Corps
- B. Alliance for Progress D. Trade Expansion Act F. Nuclear Test Ban Treaty
- 1. "To that world assembly of sovereign states, our last best hope ... we renew our pledge of support."
- 2. "To our sister republics south of our border, we offer a special pledge—to convert our good words into good deeds ..."
- 3. "To those peoples in the huts and villages of half the globe struggling to break the bonds of mass misery, we pledge our best efforts to help them help themselves ..."
- 4. "But neither can two great and powerful groups of nations take comfort from our present course ... both racing to alter that certain balance of terror that stays the hands of mankind's final war."
- 5. "Let all our neighbors know that we shall join with them to oppose aggression or subversion anywhere in the Americas."
- **ESSAY or DISCUSSION:** What impact, if any, did President Kennedy's youth and idealism have on American politics of the Sixties?