

Interpreting Text and Visuals

1. What was the trend in oil consumption from 1970 through 1973? _____

2. How much oil did Americans consume in 1973? _____

3. In which year during the 1970s was oil consumption the greatest? _____

4. Why were there rather sharp declines in oil consumption after 1973 and 1979? _____

5. What do you imagine happened to oil consumption in 1981? Why? _____

6. Logically, why should the percentage of imported oil consumed in the United States have dropped in 1973–1974? _____

Why do you think it did not? _____

7. Until 1969, imported oil had never been more than 19.8 percent of the total amount of oil consumed in the United States. In your own words, summarize what happened to U.S. reliance on imported oil in the 1970s.

