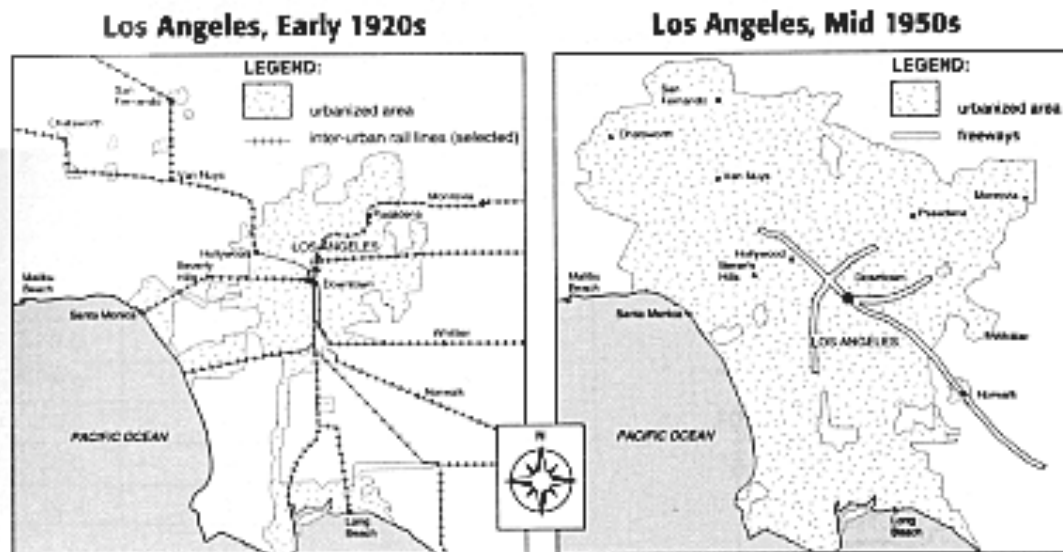


CONNECTION TO SOCIAL STUDIES

● An Expanding City

The map on the left, below, shows the Los Angeles, California, metropolitan area as it was in the early 1920s. As you can see by comparing this map with the map on the right, the city expanded greatly between the 1920s and the mid-1950s.

Technology has greatly changed how we live. In 1920, cars were not widely owned. By the 1950s, cars had become popular, causing cities and their suburbs to grow rapidly. Today, in cities like Los Angeles, many people commute to work from distant suburbs. Given the availability of many choices of mass transit, such as buses, subways, and trains, people can travel greater distances to work in much less time.



Your Turn to Think

1. A train on the Metro Red Line takes 19 minutes to go from the station at Hollywood and Vine to Union Station in downtown Los Angeles. If the distance traveled is 16.3 km, what is the train's average speed in km/h?
2. How far can a person travel in 19 minutes, walking at a speed of 5.0 km/h?
3. Give an example of how advances in technology have actually added to the time we spend traveling.