Red Scare and McCarthyism BIQ

During the Cold War, a fear of Communism gripped the nation. People were often accused of being/supporting Communists, which could be devastatingly damaging during the 1950s. During this Red Scare time period, Senator Joseph McCarthy made sweeping accusations that Communists were prevalent and numerous in every aspect of the nation. This campaign to expose the Communists in the United States became such a major part of the time period that those years have been dubbed the "McCarthy Era".

As you watch the videos and read the text, consider the following:

How does fear and injustice impact a democracy?

Jot down your ideas to make it easier to access your evidence during our discussion.