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Harry S. Truman: The Unexpected President

Short Answer Key

1. Harry S. Truman was born in Lamar, Missouri. He learned the values of hard work and perseverance from his modest family background.
2. The atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki led to Japan's surrender, effectively ending World War II.
3. Harry S. Truman contributed to the establishment of the United Nations, an international organization aimed at promoting peace and cooperation among nations, by supporting its creation and mission.
4. The key challenges and concerns of the Cold War during Truman's presidency included the fear of nuclear conflict, the spread of communism, and the rivalry between the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

