



# Nostalgia

## Part 1

In his song “Time Was,” CULTURE  
 ..... singer Phil Ochs reminisces  
 about a past “when a man could build a  
 home, have a family of his own. The  
 PEACE ..... years would flow; he  
 could watch his children grow. But it was  
 a long time ago.”

To Ochs, SIMPLE ..... times were  
 better: “troubles were few...a man could  
 have his pride; there was justice on his  
 side...there was truth in every day.”

Ochs recorded “Time Was” in 1962, when  
 he was just 22 years old. He had yet to  
 witness the most TUMULT .....  
 parts of the 1960s – the ASSASSIN  
 ..... of President John F. Kennedy  
 and Senator Robert F. Kennedy, the  
 POLARIZE ..... wrought by the  
 Vietnam War, and the civil rights and  
 feminist movements.

Half a century later – with the rapid,  
 dramatic consequences of social and  
 political upheaval, with technological  
 advances that have radically transformed  
 our daily lives – some might SIMILAR  
 ..... find themselves longing for a  
 time when “troubles were few” and “there  
 was truth in every day.”

Constantly being plugged into the  
 internet and social media is  
 thought to be associated with  
 higher rates of anxiety and  
 depression. Online messaging  
 and communication have created  
 UNDERSTAND ..... and  
 DIVIDE, ..... and many  
 feel as though they’ve lost control  
 over their privacy.

A recent poll even revealed that a  
 majority of Americans think that  
 America’s culture and way of life  
 have mostly changed for the  
 worse since the 1950s.

But what effect does this longing  
 have? Is it a useful psychological  
 tool or a PERIL .....  
 trapping?