Prompt: Compare the impacts of the New Deal and the Great Society programs on African Americans in the United States.

Essay:

The New Deal and the Great Society both helped African Americans by providing jobs and improving social services, but they did not completely solve the problems faced by Black Americans.

During the Great Depression in the 1930s, many African Americans lost their jobs. In the 1960s, the government introduced the Great Society to address social issues and poverty.

The New Deal created jobs through programs like the Works Progress Administration (WPA). African Americans got some jobs, but they were treated differently from white workers. The Great Society introduced laws like the Civil Rights Act, which helped African Americans gain better rights. It also created programs like Medicare to improve healthcare.

Both programs were important for African Americans, but they did different things to help improve their lives.

Feedback:

Thesis/Claim (1 Point): The essay presents a basic thesis that both the New Deal and Great Society helped African Americans in different ways."The New Deal and the Great Society both helped African Americans by providing jobs and improving social services..."

Contextualization (1 Point): The essay provides historical context related to the Great Depression and the introduction of the Great Society."During the Great Depression in the 1930s, many African Americans lost their jobs."

Evidence (0 Points): While the essay mentions programs like the WPA and the Civil Rights Act, it does not provide sufficient detail or multiple pieces of evidence to support the comparison."The New Deal created jobs through programs like the Works Progress Administration (WPA).""The Great Society introduced laws like the Civil Rights Act..." Lacks explanation of the significance or specific impacts of these programs on African Americans.

Analysis and Reasoning(0 points): The essay makes simple statements about the programs without analyzing how or why they impacted African Americans differently.

"African Americans got some jobs, but they were treated differently from white workers." (States fact without analysis)

"It helped African Americans gain better rights." (No explanation of how or the extent of impact)

Total Score: 2