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The Progressive Movement: 1890-1920

Directions: Answer the questions below while viewing the video on the rising progressive movement towards the end of the Gilded Age.

1. After America crosses into the 20th century, where were immigrants coming from into the U.S.? Where did these immigrants settle once they arrived to the U.S.?
2. How was John Rockefeller able to maintain his corporate wealth as an oil tycoon?
3. What does the term “progressivism” mean?
4. What role did women play in the growing progressive movement?
5. Why did immigrants care not to participate in progressive reforms?
6. Why were local saloons so important to the nation’s newest Americans? Why did progressives and immigrants clash over drinking as a social pastime?
7. What was a muckraker? Why was their role so important to the
8. How did political bosses work in the American cities? What role did immigrants play in the political boss’s rise to success?
9. Why do we have employment test and certifications today thanks to happenings during the Progressive Era?
10. Why were corporate trust so bad for the American economy?

11. Who became the symbol of the Progressive Movement at the federal level? What was his promise to the American people as he campaigned for office?

12. Provide ONE (1) example of policy that became law as a result of the hard working progressive reformers.

13. Why was presidential candidate William H. Taft “hand-picked” to continue the work of progressive reform? Did he meet this challenge?

14. How did the Progressive Political Party come into being? Were they successful in getting into the White House?

15. How did President Wilson’s *Sherman Anti-Trust Act* and his *Federal Reserve Act* aid in hauling the corruption of corporations?

16. Describe how the situation of segregation divided black respondents on how to go about dealing with racism. Who were the two leaders of this divide?

17. What did the American socialist party believe about the ownership of American corporations?

18. Who was Eugene Debs? What was his fate as a result of speaking out for his opinions?

19. Who were the suffragists? If they received their wishes, how would things improve for the American people?

20. How did suffragists also promote racial bigotry and hate?

21. What event officially ended the Progressive Era?