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## Unit 5: Becoming a World Power Republic Reading Check

Due date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Answer the following questions using either your class notes OR the digital textbook provided on our class website. You may work on the questions at your own pace (either in class if time permits and/or outside of class)

### **SSUSH15 Analyze the origins and impact of U.S. involvement in World War I.**

a. Describe the movement from U.S. neutrality to engagement in World War I, including unrestricted submarine warfare and the Zimmerman Telegram.

1. How were the sides split during the outbreak of World War I? (What countries fought on what sides?)
2. What country's forced involvement at the start of WWI caused other neutral countries (such as the U.S.) to become alarmed yet split in their decision on who to support?
3. How did current President Woodrow Wilson feel about Europe's War?
4. What did Wilson officially ask Congress to pass in August 1914? What did this request do for America's political position on the war?
5. How did American businesses make money off of Europe's War?
6. Define "Unrestricted Submarine Warfare"? Why did Germany enact this policy around a year after the war started?
7. What kind of ship was the S.S. Lusitania? Why was America in such an outrage about the fate of the ship?
8. When President Wilson ran for reelection in 1916, what was the main point of his political platform that convinced Americans he was worth a second chance in office?
9. Who was Arthur Zimmerman? What did he do to cause the U.S. to finally be pulled into WWI?

b. Explain the domestic impact of World War I, including the origins of the Great Migration, the Espionage Act and socialist Eugene Debs.

10. In what ways did World War I impact Americans on the home front?
11. How did privacy change for corporations (i.e. increased government interaction) once the U.S. became involved in the war?
12. How did Americans help to finance the war?
13. What was the Espionage Act? What restrictions were placed on Americans as a result of this new law?
14. Who was Eugene Debs? What was Debs political affiliation?
15. Describe the Great Migration? How did this movement improve the lives of African Americans? What cities in particular did this group migrate to?
16. How did America's entry into World War I prove beneficial for African Americans?

c. Explain Wilson's Fourteen Points and the debate over U.S. entry into the League of Nations.

17. What treaty officially ended World War I? What were the terms of the treaty?
18. Why did President Wilson introduce his Fourteen Points? What were the terms behind his agreement?
18. What was the League of Nations?
19. What did Henry Cabot Lodge have to say about the creation of the League of Nations?
20. Did the United States actually ever join the League of Nations? Why or Why not?