Progressivism (c1890-c1920)

Summary

The changes brought about by the Civil War and Reconstruction era led to rapid **Industrialization** of the US economy and expanding US wealth. During the Gilded Age, large corporations and wealthy industrialists gained control over the instruments of government. In addition, a wave of immigration and urbanization produced conflict between workers and owners of capital resources. The **response** was the Progressive Movement, which attempted to fix the excesses of the Gilded Age through broad-based economic, social and political reform, including opening up the political system, giving women the right to vote, and banning alcohol.

Contextualized Essential Question

How did industrialization affect American values and how did the values of the Progressives cause them to attempt to change America?

Critical Skills

Reasoning – Students will be able to identify, analyze and evaluate major forms of historical reasoning: Cause and Effect, Generalizations, Comparisons.

Sources.

PPT: The United States c1890	American Issues ch19
Overview: Industrialization, Immigration &	 Cooper, "Varieties of Progressivism"
Urbanization	 Clark, "Reform as Social Control"
What Were Cities Like	"The Progressive Party Platform" (1912)
Lesson 14: Should the Government Role be	Foner, SOAF ch.7, "Progressive Freedom" pp139-15
Laissez-Faire or the General Welfare State?	Muncy, "The Ambiguous Legacies of Women's
DM Lesson 4: Progressive Reforms	Progressivism"
PPT: Intro to Progressivism	
DBQ14: Progressivism	

Content Ouestions

- 1. What were conditions like in America c1890? (Think: PEGS)
- 2. Analyze and evaluate the philosophies of laissez faire and social gospel thinkers.
- 3. What was Progressivism? Who were the Progressives? How did the Progressives attempt to deal with the profound social, economic and political changes brought about by industrialization?
- 4. How successful were the Progressives? What did they achieve? What were the major obstacles to Progressivism? How have different historians evaluated Progressivism?

Terms, Concepts & People

- 1. Classical Liberalism
- 2. Contemporary Liberalism
- 3. Industrialization
- 4. Immigration
- 5. Urbanization
- 6. Combination/Integration (Horizontal & Vertical)
- 7. Economies of Scale
- 8. Gilded Age
- 9. Trusts
- 10. Political boss & political machine
- 11. Graft/Kickback
- 12. Tammany Hall & the Tweed Ring
- 13. Patronage & the Spoils System
- 14. Water, Sanitation, Crime and Fire
- 15. Tenements
- 16. Public Parks
- 17. Settlement houses
- 18. Jane Addams & Hull House
- 19. Neighborhood Union
- 20. Mother's Pensions
- 21. Day Care
- 22. Bread and Butter Issues
- 23. Strikes—Homestead, Pullman
- 24. Adam Smith & Laissez-Faire
- 25. Herbert Spencer & Social Darwinism
- 26. Andrew Carnegie & The Gospel of Wealth
- 27. Social Gospel Movement
- 28. Progressive Era
- 29. Liberty of Contract
- 30. Wage Slavery
- 31. Industrial Democracy
- 32. Slave Wages
- 33. Living Wage

- 34. American Standard of Living
- 35. Scientific Management
- 36. Initiative, Referendum & Recall
- 37. Worker's Compensation
- 38. The Direct Primary
- 39. Secret Ballot
- 40. Sherman Antitrust Act
- 41. Lochner vs. New York
- 42. Muller v. Oregon
- 43. William McKinley
- 44. Muckraking
- 45. Upton Sinclair, The Jungle
- 46. Lincoln Steffens, *The Shame of the Cities*
- 47. Jacob Riis, *How the Other Half Lives*
- 48. Meat Inspection Act
- 49. Pure Food and Drug Act
- 50. Triangle Shirtwaist Fire
- 51. Theodore Roosevelt
- 52. Anthracite Coal Strike
- 53. Antiquities Act
- 54. National Forest Service
- 55. William Taft
- 56. 1912 Presidential Election
- 57. Woodrow Wilson
- 58. Eugene V. Debs
- 59. 16th Amendment
- 60. 17th Amendment
- 61. Federal Trade Commission
- 62. Clayton Antitrust Act
- 63. Keating-Owen Act
- 64. Hammer v. Dagenhart
- 65. Women's Christian Temperance Union
- 66. 18th Amendment
- 67. 19th Amendment