

Chapter 20 Vocabulary

Section 1

Theodore Roosevelt
United Mine Workers
"square deal"
Northern Securities v. the United States
Department of Commerce and Labor
Interstate Commerce Commission
Hepburn Bill
Meat Inspection Act
Upton Sinclair (*The Jungle*)
Pure Food and Drug Act

Section 2

Progressives
Australian ballot
direct primary
17th Amendment
initiative
referendum
recall
muckrakers
Ida Tarbell
Jacob Riis

Section 3

William Howard Taft
16th Amendment
Bull Moose party
Woodrow Wilson
"New Freedom"
Eugene V. Debs

Section 4

bank "run"
Federal Reserve Act
Federal Reserve Board
Federal Reserve notes
Clayton Antitrust Act
Federal Trade Commission

Section 5

"great white fleet"
** Gunboat Diplomacy
** Big Stick Diplomacy
Dr. William Gorgas
Dr. Walter Reed
Panama Canal
Roosevelt Corollary
dollar diplomacy

Chapter 20 Guided Reading Questions

Section 1

1. What event brought Teddy Roosevelt to the Presidency?
2. What did TR believe about the power of the President?
3. What was TR's view of "big business?"
4. What were the complaints of the United Mine Workers?
5. What precedent did TR set in his handling of the coal strike?
6. What is the importance of the federal case against Northern Securities?
7. Why did TR see the election of 1904 as a license to continue and expand his reforms?
8. In what sense did the Hepburn Bill give existing federal regulations teeth?
9. What impact did TR's Presidency have on the nation's forests?
10. What was TR's vision of the US economy?

Section 2

1. What did Progressives believe was the role of government?
2. In what ways did Wisconsin lead the states in Progressive reforms?
3. How are many of the Progressive reforms similar to the earlier views of the Populists?
4. What steps did Progressives take to make American democracy more democratic? (note: there are quite a number of things to include)
5. Why can we see the muckrakers as a natural development of the Progressive Age?

Section 3

1. What won the election of 1908 for Taft?
2. Why did Taft have a problem with many of the reforms being pushed through by the Progressives?
3. How did signing the Payne-Aldrich tariff affect Taft's Presidency?
4. How did the Mann-Elkins Act affect the federal government's power?
5. Why did Roosevelt believe it was necessary to come up with his "New Nationalism," and what did it include?
6. What led TR to accept a nomination for President?
7. How were Wilson and Roosevelt similar and different?
8. Why did Wilson win the election of 1912?

Section 4

1. Describe Woodrow Wilson's character.
2. Why did Wilson see tariff reform as a priority?
3. What did Progressives like Bryan believe a system of federal reserve banks would prevent?
4. Describe the system created by the Federal Reserve Act.
5. Why did Wilson believe the Clayton Antitrust Act was needed?
6. What was the role of the FTC?

Section 5

1. What was TR's view of the US's role in the world?
2. What was TR referring to when he said, "Speak softly and carry a big stick."?
3. What impact did TR's Presidency have on the US navy?
4. How did TR earn a Nobel Peace Prize?
5. What was the purpose of the "great white fleet"?
6. Why might the US have helped start a revolution in Panama?
7. What pivotal role did Dr. Gorgas play in the construction of the Panama Canal?
8. Why did the US take control of the Dominican Republic's finances?
9. What modification did the Roosevelt Corollary make to the Monroe Doctrine?
10. How would Taft use "dollar diplomacy" to expand US power overseas?
11. How would you characterize US-Mexican relations under Wilson?
12. What fact did Pancho Villa force American to realize?
13. When did the Progressive Era end?