

A.P. United States History

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Unit 7: The Progressive Moment - 1880-1920



American "Doughboys"
marching in Paris,
July 4, 1918

Essential Questions

1. What political, economic, and social forces led the U.S. to remain neutral (at first) and then enter the World War?
2. Was Progressivism successful, or did it fail?
3. How were African-Americans treated during this period? Did they make gains socially, economically, or politically?

Learning Objectives

At the end of this unit, students should be able to:

- Explain what Progressivism is and how it developed at this moment in U.S. history
- Understand why Progressives desired reforms, and how they undertook those reforms
- Explain reasons for the US move toward imperialism, and connect it with WWI (neutrality and eventual entrance)

Unit Outline

- 1) Progressivism
 - a) Origins of Progressivism
 - i) Progressive attitudes and motives
 - ii) Muckrakers
 - iii) Social Gospel
 - b) Municipal, State, and National Reform
 - i) Political: suffrage
 - ii) Social and economic: regulation
 - c) Socialism: alternatives
 - d) Black America
 - i) Washington, DuBois, and Garvey
 - e) Women's roles: family, work, education, unionization, suffrage
 - f) Roosevelt's Square Deal
 - i) Trust-busting
 - ii) Conservation
 - g) Taft
 - i) Pinchot-Ballinger Affair
 - ii) Payne-Aldrich Tariff
 - h) Wilson's New Freedom
 - i) Tariffs
 - ii) The Federal Reserve
 - iii) Clayton Anti-Trust Act
- 2) World War I
 - a) Problems of Neutrality
 - b) Preparedness, Pacifism
 - c) Wilson's 14 Points/ Treaty of Versailles
 - d) Postwar Demobilization
 - i) Red Scare
 - ii) Labor Strife

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**Jane Addams,
Founder of
Hull House**

Terms, People & Concepts

Progressivism
Populism
Muckrakers
Primary
Initiative
Referendum
Recall
City Managers
Robert LaFollette
Eugene Debs
Theodore Roosevelt
New Nationalism
Bull Moose Party
Hepburn Act
Pure Food and Drug Act
Meat Inspection Act
Upton Sinclair
The Jungle
"Trust-busting"
Payne-Aldrich Tariff
William Howard Taft
Woodrow Wilson
New Freedom
Clayton Anti-Trust Act
Federal Reserve Act
Federal Trade Commission
Mann Act
Child Labor Act
16th, 17th, 18th, 19th Amendments
Underwood-Simmons Tariff
Ida Tarbell

W. C. T. U.
Susan B. Anthony
Secret Ballot
Margaret Sanger
W. E. B. DuBois
Booker T. Washington
Niagara Movement
N. A. A. C. P.
Neutrality Rights
Sussex Pledge
Submarine Warfare (U Boats)
Lusitania
Zimmerman Note
Public Information Committee
Espionage and Sedition Acts
Selective Service
14 Points
League of Nations
Versailles Treaty
Henry Cabot Lodge
Doughboys
John J. Pershing
Big Four
Square Deal
Conservationism

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Unit 7: AP Exam Essay Questions/ ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS

The following questions have been asked as AP Free Response (FRQ) and Document Based Questions (DBQ) on this unit.

1. Describe and account for the rise of nativism in American society from 1900 to 1930.
2. How successful was organized labor in improving the position of workers in the period from 1875 to 1900? Analyze the factors that contributed to the level of success achieved.
3. To what extent did the United States achieve the objectives that led it to enter the First World War?
4. To what extent and why did the United States adopt an isolationist policy in the 1920s and 1930s?
5. To what extent did economic and political developments as well as assumptions about the nature of women affect the position of women during the period 1890-1925?
6. Analyze the ways in which state and federal legislation and judicial decisions, including those of the Supreme Court, affected the efforts of any TWO of the following groups to improve their position in society between 1880 and 1920.
 - African-Americans
 - Farmers
 - Workers
7. Analyze the ways in which technology, government policy, and economic conditions changed American agriculture in the period 1865 to 1900. In your answer be sure to evaluate farmers' responses to these changes.

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Assignments

It is expected that you will complete all reading assignments and homework thoroughly and carefully before you come to class. “Kennedy” refers to the textbook, *American Pageant*.

Work to be completed by:

February 24

Progressives - Who, What, When, Where, Why?

Progressive Era Packet - found in Documents and Readings (print out, annotate and put in folder)

February 26

Busting Trusts and Making Names: Progressivism as a Political Moment

Kennedy pp. 646-659

Sherman Anti-Trust Act, Clayton Anti-Trust Act

February 28

1912 - The Progressive Election and the Positives and Negatives of Progressivism

Kennedy pp. 659-661, 663-665

Extra Readings *New Nationalism & New Freedom*

March 3

Woodrow Wilson and World War I - Progressivism as Foreign Policy

Kennedy pp. 666-690

Wilson's Speeches - Four Freedoms/Speech to Congress on WWI/On Progressivism

March 5

Seminar: Selling World War I

Kennedy pp. 675-676

Kennedy - *Over There*

WWI Poster Packet

March 9

Unit VIII Exam: FRQ & M/C