

ASSIGNMENT

STAAR® BLITZ: GILDED AGE U.S. HISTORY



Matching - Select the best answer.

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| <p>_____ 1. Extended hours for factory work to be done at night</p> <p>_____ 2. Produced steel in large quantities</p> <p>_____ 3. Organization that wanted better pay and conditions for workers</p> <p>_____ 4. Government giving special treatment to certain businesses</p> <p>_____ 5. Law passed because of fear in the West over increased competition for jobs</p> <p>_____ 6. Businesses became wealthy, and some corrupt government officials supported business first policies</p> <p>_____ 7. Potato famine, lack of work, economic opportunity, religious freedom</p> | <p>A. Gilded Age</p> <p>B. Chinese Exclusion Act</p> <p>C. Union</p> <p>D. Reasons for immigration</p> <p>E. Light bulb</p> <p>F. Political corruption</p> <p>G. Bessemer Process</p> |
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Hot Text - Answer the question below.

This excerpt describes the immigrant experience.

¹ Between 1880 and 1920, over twenty million people immigrated to the United States seeking the opportunity and freedom available in a society rooted in the principles of the Declaration of Independence. ² They traveled thousands of miles in the hope of providing a better life for themselves and their families in the economic opportunities available in a free enterprise, industrial economy. They ³ brought with them diverse languages and cultural traditions that enriched American society and culture. The absorption of these immigrants into the fabric of American society was not always a smooth process. Pressures stemming from ⁴ the blending of cultures had profound effects on the politics and opinions of the era.

Adapted from <https://billofrightsinstitute.org/>

- _____ 8. Determine which part of the excerpt explains the impact of immigrants on American society.

Select **TWO** correct answers.

- A. Textbox 1
- B. Textbox 2
- C. Textbox 3
- D. Textbox 4

Categorize - Write the correct letter in the box.

9. Determine which statement explains the causes and effects of urbanization.

Write the correct letter in the box.

- A. Immigrants lived in overcrowded tenement housing
- B. People often caught diseases due to poor sanitation
- C. Farmers left the south for the steady income of factory work in the north

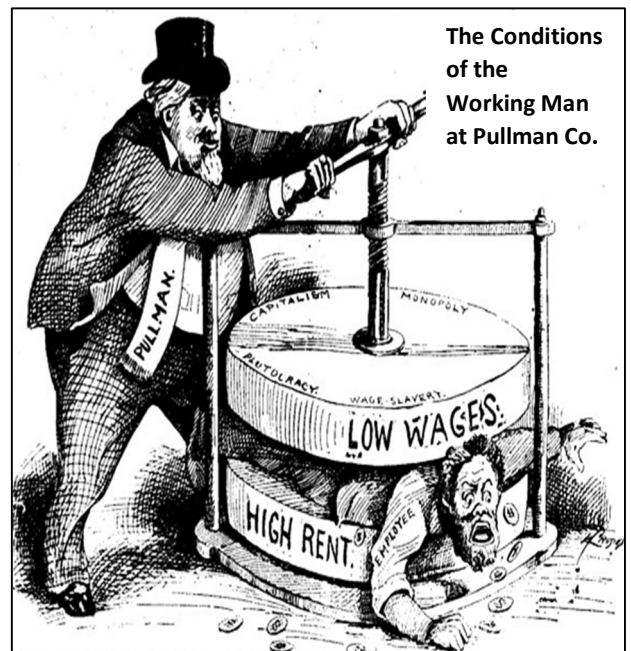
<u>Urbanization Causes</u>	<u>Urbanization Effects</u>
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Short Answer - Answer the following questions.

10. How did Thomas Edison's light bulb affect the development of the U.S. economy?
11. What are monopolies and why are they bad for consumers?
12. Why were Nativists in favor of the Chinese Exclusion Act?
13. How did the Homestead Act result in the settlement of the Great Plains?
14. What was the purpose of the Dawes Act?
15. Who was Andrew Carnegie?

Political Cartoon - Use the political cartoon and your knowledge of history to answer the questions below.

16. What is the title of this political cartoon?
17. What words do you see in the political cartoon?
18. What is happening in the political cartoon? Be specific.
19. Why was this political cartoon created?



Short Constructed Response - Think about the question carefully. Then enter your answer in the box provided.

20. What were **TWO** effects of the Transcontinental Railroad on the United States? Explain your answer.