

Study Guide – Gilded Age

- 1) What factors led businessmen to become the most powerful men in the U.S. and contributed to industrial growth? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 2) What does **Laissez Faire** mean? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 3) Why did the government initially practice this policy with big businesses? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 4) What is an **entrepreneur**?
- 5) What is a **corporation**?
- 6) What does it mean to **invest** in a business?
- 7) What business did Cornelius Vanderbilt and Jay Gould control? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 8) What business did Gustavus Swift and Philip Armour control? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 9) What is a **monopoly** (Captains of Industry Reading)?
- 10) What did these owners do to help create their monopolies and keep them? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 11) What is **Social Darwinism**? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 12) What doctrine of Charles Darwin's is it based upon? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 13) What is **petroleum**?
- 14) What is the difference between crude oil and petroleum?
- 15) What does **refined** mean? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 16) What are some products that are produced when crude oil is refined?
- 17) Before the automobile what was petroleum's main use? (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 18) Because oil is valuable it is often referred to as what?
- 19) What was the name of John D. Rockefeller's corporation?
- 20) What material did Andrew Carnegie mass produce?
- 21) What process allowed the material to be mass produced? (Captains of Industry Reading)

- 22)What was the philosophy behind Carnegie’s “Gospel of Wealth?” (Captains of Industry Reading)
- 23)What things were built with the money spread through the Gospel of Wealth)?
- 24)The mass production of steel led to the growth of what?
- 25)What does **urbanization** mean?
- 26)How were they able to build taller buildings that became known as skyscrapers?
- 27)Besides steel, what other invention led to taller and taller skyscrapers? (Video Notes)
- 28)How did skyscrapers lead to an increase in urbanization?
- 29)What is a **patent**?
- 30)What important invention did Edison design?
- 31)What else did Edison build around the country that was of great importance? (Video Notes)
- 32)Alexander Graham Bell invented what item? What is significant about it?
- 33)What was Henry Ford’s revolutionary automobile? What was its nickname? (Henry Ford Reading)
- 34)What idea did Ford add to the assembly line that improved it? (Henry Ford Reading)
- 35)What were some other things that Ford did with the Model T Ford’s design that helped cut costs? (Henry Ford Reading)
- 36)What was Ford’s goal with the production of the Model T? (Ford Reading)
- 37)What is **immigration**?
- 38) What nations did the majority of “new” immigrants come from at the turn of the century?
- 39)Where did most of these immigrants live when they arrived in the United States?
- 40)What are **tenements**?

41) What country gave us the Statue of Liberty? What was its original purpose?

42) What did it end up symbolizing to the immigrants?

43) What was the first thing that most immigrants saw when they approached Ellis Island? (Immigrant Interactive)

44) Where did most immigrants stay on the steamships when they came to the United States? (Immigrant Interactive)

45) What wasn't required (for immigrants) to get into the United States prior to World War I? (Immigrant Interactive)

46) What might get an immigrant sent back to their home from Ellis Island (Immigrant Interactive)

47) What nations make up Scandinavia? (Captains of Industry Reading) Where did most Scandinavians go when they came to the United States? Where did most Italians go when they came to the U.S.?

48) Name some issues found in factories that led to the development of unions?

49) Who wrote *The Jungle*? Who did he support?

50) What was the book, *The Jungle*, suppose to portray? What did most people end up focusing on?

51) What tragedy helped unions push businesses to adopt safety codes in factories and public buildings? (Video Notes)

52) What is **collective bargaining**?

53) Give some examples of issues that are negotiated during collective bargaining?.

54) What were some of the issues that the cities faced as the populations began to increase? (Video Notes)

55) What were settlement houses?

56) Who started the settlement house called Hull House in Chicago?

57) What public departments were established in cities?

58) What were the sanitation workers called that swept the streets? (Video Notes)

