# <u>Unit 7 - The Gilded Age</u> <u>Review Sheet</u>

### **VOCAB**

- Gilded Age
- Laissez-faire
- Civil service exams
- Steerage
- Ghettos
- Tenement
- Political machine
- Graft
- Settlement house
- Nativism
- Transcontinental RR
- Mass production
- Bessemer process
- Social Darwinism
- Monopoly
- Vertical consolidation
- Economies of scale
- Trusts
- Sherman antitrust act
- Piecework
- Division of labor
- Socialism
- Collective bargaining
- scab
- Pacific Railway Acts
- Exoduster
- Reservations (Native Americans)
- Battle of Little Bighorn
- Long drive (cattle)
- Sodbusters
- Bonanza farm
- Interstate Commerce Act
- Assimilation

### **OUTLINE**

### I. Industrialization

- A. Laissez Faire Capitalism
- B. Railroads
  - Impact on the United States (workers, economy, farmers, businessmen, etc.)
  - Transcontinental RR
  - Rebates; Interstate Commerce Act of 1877
- C. Farming becomes mechanized, transformed
- D. Progress and problems
- E. Innovations and Inventions

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### **II. Big Business**

- A. Social Darwinism
- B. Andrew Carnegie (steel industry, vertical & horizontal integration)
- C. John D. Rockefeller (Standard Oil, trusts, RR rebates)
- D. J. Pierpont Morgan (holding company, mergers, U.S. Steel)
- E. Business Regulation (Sherman Anti-Trust Act, Interstate Commerce Act)

## III. The Working Class and Labor Unions

- A. Wages, Hours, conditions
- B. Piecework vs. Division of Labor
- C. Socialism
- D. Knights of Labor vs. American Federation of Labor (goals, tactics, etc.)
- E. See notes on important strikes and their results

### **IV. Immigration**

- A. Old Immigration vs. New Immigration (who, when, where, why?)
- B. Nativism, Chinese Exclusion Act, and Gentleman's Agreement
- C. Different theories about immigrants (Melting Pot, Assimilation, Pluralism)

### V. Westward Settlement and Indian Conflict

- A. Homestead Act
- B. Exodusters
- C. Connection between industrialization, westward settlement, and Indian wars
- D. Dawes Act and reservations
- E. Battles and Little Bighorn and Wounded Knee

Remember that you are responsible for all content and skills from your class notes, handouts, and homework.