UNITED STATES HISTORY II · ILLINOIS

United States History II

Practice Test

Unit 1: Industrialization and the Progressive Era

25 Questions

Original practice test based on the Illinois curriculum. Work through each question, then check your answers at the end.

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Question 1

Which industry was transformed by Henry Ford assembly line methods?

A) Automobiles

B) Steel

C) Textiles

D) Coal

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Question 2

Andrew Carnegie built a business empire mainly in which industry?

A) Oil refining

B) Steel

C) Railroad cars

D) Meat packing

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Question 3

John D Rockefeller built Standard Oil into a leader in which industry?

A) Steel

B) Coal mining

C) Shipbuilding

D) Oil

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Question 4

The Bessemer process made it cheaper to produce large amounts of what material?

A) Aluminum

B) Copper

C) Steel

D) Glass

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Question 5

In what year was the transcontinental railroad completed at Promontory Utah?

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Question 6

Which law of 1887 created federal regulation of railroads?

A) Sherman Antitrust Act

B) Clayton Antitrust Act

C) Interstate Commerce Act

D) Homestead Act

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Question 7

The Sherman Antitrust Act of 1890 was mainly aimed at what?

A) Foreign armies

B) Monopolies that limited competition

C) Labor unions

D) State banks

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Question 8

Which labor organization was led by Samuel Gompers and focused on skilled workers?

A) Knights of Labor

B) Industrial Workers of the World

C) National Grange

D) American Federation of Labor

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Question 9

The Homestead Strike of 1892 took place at a steel plant in which state?

A) Ohio

B) Pennsylvania

C) Illinois

D) New York

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Question 10

The Pullman Strike of 1894 began when workers protested wage cuts by which company?

A) Pullman Palace Car Company

B) Carnegie Steel

C) Standard Oil

D) Union Pacific

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Question 11

Ellis Island in New York Harbor served mainly as what?

A) A naval base

B) An immigration inspection station

C) A railroad terminal

D) A military fort

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Question 12

The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 did what?

A) Granted citizenship to all immigrants

B) Built the transcontinental railroad

C) Barred Chinese laborers from entering the United States

D) Ended immigration from Europe

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Question 13

Jane Addams founded Hull House in Chicago in 1889 to provide what?

A) Loans to farmers

B) Settlement house services for immigrants and the poor

C) Railroad jobs

D) Military training

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Question 14

Jacob Riis wrote about crowded tenement life in New York City in which book?

A) The Jungle

B) The Octopus

C) The Shame of the Cities

D) How the Other Half Lives

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Question 15

Upton Sinclair novel The Jungle of 1906 exposed unsanitary conditions in which industry?

A) Steel mills

B) Meatpacking

C) Coal mines

D) Textile mills

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Question 16

Which 1906 law set federal standards for meat inspection?

A) Meat Inspection Act

B) Pure Food and Drug Act

C) Federal Reserve Act

D) Clayton Antitrust Act

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Question 17

The Triangle Shirtwaist fire of 1911 drew attention to unsafe conditions in what kind of workplace?

A) Coal mines

B) Garment factories

C) Railroad yards

D) Steel mills

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Question 18

The Sixteenth Amendment ratified in 1913 allowed the federal government to do what?

A) Elect senators directly

B) Prohibit alcohol

C) Levy an income tax

D) Grant women the vote

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Question 19

The Seventeenth Amendment ratified in 1913 changed how United States senators were chosen in what way?

A) By state legislatures

B) By direct popular vote

C) By the president

D) By the Supreme Court

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Question 20

The Nineteenth Amendment ratified in 1920 granted what right?

A) Direct election of senators

B) Prohibition of alcohol

C) A federal income tax

D) Women the right to vote

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Question 21

President Theodore Roosevelt Square Deal promised fair treatment for which groups?

A) Consumers workers and businesses

B) Only large corporations

C) Only foreign governments

D) Only railroad owners

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Question 22

Which president broke up the Northern Securities railroad trust in 1904?

A) William Howard Taft

B) Woodrow Wilson

C) Theodore Roosevelt

D) William McKinley

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Question 23

The Federal Reserve Act of 1913 created what?

A) A national railroad system

B) A central banking system

C) A federal income tax court

D) A national park service

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Question 24

The Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914 strengthened antitrust law and protected what?

A) Labor unions from being treated as illegal combinations

B) Monopolies from prosecution

C) Foreign trade only

D) State banks only

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Question 25

In Plessy v Ferguson in 1896 the Supreme Court upheld which doctrine?

A) Separate but equal

B) Direct election of senators

C) Free silver coinage

D) Open immigration

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. B
3. D
4. C
5. 1869
6. C
7. B
8. D
9. B
10. A
11. B
12. C
13. B
14. D
15. B
16. A
17. B
18. C
19. B
20. D
21. A
22. C
23. B
24. A
25. A

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