

PSO U.S. History

Exam 4 Study Guide: Chapters 17-21

Identifications – Be able to identify the following terms. Know who/what, when, where, why, and the “so what?” - why it mattered:

Dawes Allotment Act	Social Darwinism	Tammany Hall	progressivism
Homestead Act	Mugwumps	Homestead lockout	Theodore Roosevelt
Ghost Dance	Haymarket bombing	WCTU	muckraking
Andrew Carnegie	Samuel Gompers	The Election of 1896	The Election of 1912
John D. Rockefeller	Cult of Domesticity	Spanish-American War	<i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i>

Essay Questions – Be able to answer the following essay questions in a succinct, well-organized essay (introduction, body with main points, conclusion). Preparing a basic outline to follow will help keep your thoughts organized when you go to write your answer in the exam booklet.

1. Westward migration brought settlers into conflict with Native Americans. What was the U.S. government’s policy toward Indians in the West, and how did it evolve over time? How did the Indians resist and survive white encroachment? In your answer, discuss the cultural and military features of the conflict.
2. The U.S. Congress and the Supreme Court facilitated the concentration of power in the hands of private business concerns during the Gilded Age. Citing specific policies and court decisions, discuss how government helped augment the power of big business in the late nineteenth century.
3. In the late nineteenth century, Americans clashed over the disparity of power brought about by industrial capitalism. Why did many farmers and urban workers look to the government to help advance their vision of economic justice? In your answer, discuss specific reforms working-class Americans pursued and the strategies they employed.
4. Opponents on the campaign stump, Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson shared a commitment to domestic reform. Compare their legislative programs, including the evolution of their policies over time and their ability to respond to shifting political circumstances. What do their policies reveal about their understandings of the roles of the executive and the federal government?