THE INDUSTRIAL AGE

UNIT OUTCOMES:

- 1. Seven Factors of America's Industrial Growth
- 2. The Fat Cats
- 3. Labor Supply & Organized Labor

UNIT OUTLINE:

I. Seven Factors are needed in the creation of an industrial nation.

- A. Natural Resources
- **B.** Capital (\$)

- E. Consumers (markets)
- F. Technology
- G. Government Cooperation (support)
- C. Labor SupplyD. Transportation System(s)

II. Early Capitalists prescribed to the Theory of Social Darwinism

A. Industrialists gained tremendous wealth.

- 1. Andrew Carnegie
- 2. John D. Rockefeller
- 3. James J. Hill
- 4. J. P. Morgan
- 5. Cornelius Vanderbilt

B. Some built empires through the abuse of power.

- 1. Unfair competition (monopolies, trusts, rebates)
- 2. Misuse & abuse of labor
- 3. Corrupt & laissez-faire government

C. Some became believers in the Gospel of Wealth.

III. Labor (workers) united to fight abuses.

- A. Waves of immigration provided cheap labor.
- B. Owners found the abundant labor force easy to abuse.
- C. Workers united to deal with the abuses & developed tactics for bringing change.
- D. New Immigrants were considered a threat to the strength of unions.

Required Reading: The Americans --> Chpt. 6 (all sections)

Chpt. 7 (sections 1,2, and section 3.1) Chpt. 8 (section 1 and section 4.3)

KEY PEOPLE:

Andrew Carnegie	Samuel Gompers		
John D. Rockefeller	George Pullman		
James J. Hill	Thomas Edison		
J. P. Morgan	Charles Darwin / Herbert Spencer		
Cornelius Vanderbilt	Alexander Graham Bell		
Eugene V. Debs	Richard Sears / Montgomery Ward		
Orville and Wilbur Wright	George Eastman		

Edwin Drake

KEY CONCEPTS / EVENTS / PLACES:

Capitalism / Free Enterprise

Nativism (Old Immigrants vs. New Immigrants)

Socialism

Philanthropy / Gospel of Wealth

Laissez-faire	Organized Labor (Unionism)
Social Darwinism	Sherman Antitrust Act
Transcontinental Railroad	Haymarket Riot (1886)
Homestead Strike (1892)	Pullman Strike (1894)
Immigration	Ellis Island / Angel Island

KEY TERMS: See Handouts List #1 & List #2:

Constructive Response Question Grading Rubric

Question # _____

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CONSTRUCTIVE RESPONSE QUESTIONS

1. What contributed to the rapid industrialization of America?

2. What contributed to the extremely uneven distribution of wealth during this period?

3. What led to the development of labor unions in the 1880's?

4. What is the difference between a "New" Immigrant and an "Old" Immigrant?

5. What were the positive & negative consequences of industrialism?