American History Final Exam Study Guide

**2nd Industrial Revolution:**

* New Inventions
	+ Impact

**Gilded Age: (Why is this era called the Gilded Age?)**

* Reasons for Bug Business’s success.
* Social Darwinism V. Gospel of Wealth
* Problems of the Gilded Age (I.E, Tenements, Corruption, etc)
	+ How were these problems addressed?
* Muckrakers
* Immigration
	+ Who, what, where, & why?
	+ Restrictions
* Major Labor Disputes/Strikes
	+ Government Involvement?

**Progressive Era:**

* Goals of the Progressives
* Anti-Trust Laws
* Progressive Presidents
* Failing of the Progressive Era
	+ Race Relations
	+ African American Leadership
	+ Triangle Shirtwaist fire

**Western Settlement**

* Why move West? (Push & Pull Factors)
* Importance/Impact of Railroads
* Problems Settlers/Farmers faced out West
* Farming Organizations (The Grange, etc)
* Impact of Western Settlement on Native Americans

**Populism**

* Goals of the Populist Movement
* William Jennings Bryan

**Imperialism**

* Pros & Cons
* U.S policies
* Spanish American War
	+ Causes
	+ Impact

**WWI**

* Causes of War & Reasons for U.S entry
* U.S Foreign Policy
* Mobilization
	+ Effects on society & rights
* Minority Groups (Women, African Americans, etc)
* Wilson’s 14 points

**1920s:**

* Post War issues (Communism, Labor, etc)
* Why are the 1920s known as the roaring 20s?
	+ Who is doing well? Who isn’t?
* Traditional V. Progressive Values
* Harlem Renaissance

**Great Depression:**

1. Hoover & his response to the Great Depression
2. F.D.R & his response to the Great Depression
3. F.D.R’s Critics & their reasons for criticism
4. New Deals
5. Key programs/Agencies created to help with the Great Depression
6. Impact of New Deal

**WWII:**

1. U.S foreign policy before the war & prewar debate
2. 3 Steps of Congress & 8 Steps of F.D.R
3. Why did the U.S enter the War?
4. Mobilization for WWII
	1. Programs created
	2. How various groups were impacted
	3. What was the U. S’s biggest advantage?
5. Korematsu V. U.S
6. Wartime Conferences: Munich, Cairo, Casablanca, Tehran, Yalta, Potsdam, & Atlantic Conference
	1. Purpose of Meeting (Why are they meeting?)
	2. Main Points of Meeting
	3. Who met?
	4. What the U.S wanted to gain?
7. Atomic Bombing