**CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE – 20 Knowledge Nuggets quiz for the USA unit making of a Super Power**

1. What were the main problems Lincoln faced in 1865?
2. What was the Significance of the 10% plan?
3. What was Military Reconstruction?
4. How far was reconstruction a success …
* Politically? (+/-)
* Economically? (+/-)
* Socially? (+/-)
1. What did Mark Twain mean by the ‘Gilded Age’?
2. Give an example of a Robber Baron and the area they were successful in.
3. Give a precise example of corruption in the Gilded Age?
4. What Act introduced the Principal of meritocracy to the Federal Bureaucracy?
5. What was the significance of Plessey v Ferguson?
6. What was meant by the term Accommodation and give an example of this?
7. What is the NAACP? When was it set up? By who?
8. Why did the Populist movement develop?
9. Which democratic candidate in 1896 received Populist support against the winner McKinlay?
10. Give an example of America being preclusive in foreign policy.
11. What did Turner argue was the significance of the ending of the Frontier?
12. Why did the USA get involved in WWI?
13. Give an example of the USA returning to isolationism post WWI.
14. List 5 examples of positive developments across society and the economy in the 1920s.
15. What caused the depression and what was the impact of this?
16. How did Roosevelt ‘prime the pump’?

Answers

1. What were the main problems Lincoln faced in 1865? Divided Union/Free Blacks/South Economically ruined/opposition of reconstruction radicals
2. What was the Significance of the 10% plan? Lincoln said provided 10% of a southern state swore allegiance the state could be readmitted to the union. Radical Reconstruction supporters rejected this.
3. What was Military Reconstruction? Grant used the army occupation until 1877 to force the South to create new constitutions accept accepting 13th-15th amendments.
4. How far was reconstruction a success …
* Politically? (+/-) Union reestablished/South would not provide a President until 1912.
* Economically? (+/-) South recovered through high cotton prices/North and South agricultural and industrial divide remained, 1893 depression.
* Socially? (+/-) 13th-15th Amendments/segregation and Jim Crow/KKK etc.
1. What did Mark Twain mean by the ‘Gilded Age’? Wealthy did well (i.e. Robber barons) but society underneath was rotten/poor for workers, Blacks, immigrants, Native Americans.
2. Give an example of a Robber Baron and the area they were successful in. Vanderbilt/Railroads, JP Morgan/Finance, Carnegie/Steel, Rockefeller/Oil
3. Give a precise example of corruption in the Gilded Age? Senator Roscoe Conkling and the New York customs house/Spoils System/
4. What Act introduced the Principal of meritocracy to the Federal Bureaucracy? Pendleton Act
5. What was the significance of Plessey v Ferguson? Established legality of segregation – ‘separate but equal’
6. What was meant by the term Accommodation and give an example of this? Working to help Blacks without challenging segregation i.e Booker T Washington and the Tuskegee institute.
7. What is the NAACP? When was it set up? By who? National association for the Advancement of coloured people, 1909, WEB Dubois.
8. Why did the Populist movement develop? Silver standard, agricultural issues, frustration with working conditions
9. Which democratic candidate in 1896 received Populist support against the winner McKinlay? Bryan
10. Give an example of America being preclusive in foreign policy. Spanish American War and Samoa/Cuba also Hawaii.
11. What did Turner argue was the significance of the ending of the Frontier? Led to US looking/expanding outwards in foreign policy.
12. Why did the USA get involved in WWI? Sinking of US Shipping (NOT the Lusitania!), The Zimmerman Telegram.
13. Give an example of the USA returning to isolationism post WWI. Failure to support League of Nations
14. List 5 examples of positive developments across society and the economy in the 1920s. Industry i.e. Ford, Whitegoods/Flappers/Cinema/Sport/Harlem for Blacks
15. What caused the depression and what was the impact of this? Wall Street Crash/Poverty, unemployment, banking and business collapse
16. How did Roosevelt ‘prime the pump’? Cut federal wages by 20% and spent on Alphabet agencies i.e TVA, CCC, AAA etc.