

Progressive Era: Key Concept Study Guide

Strength in urban areas / large participation by middle and upper classes / role of women

1. Why did the Progressive movement respond to **political corruption**? How did Progressive journalist **attack political corruption**? Success? Failures?
2. How/Why did the Progressive movement seek **federal legislation** that they believed would effectively **expand democracy** on the **national level**?
3. How/Why did some Progressives advocate for expanding **popular participation in government**?
4. Why did some argue for greater **reliance on professional** and **technical experts** to make government more efficient?
5. Why did the Progressive movement respond to **economic instability**? How did Progressive journalist **attack economic inequality**? Success? Failures?
6. How/Why did the Progressive movement seek **federal legislation** that they believed would effectively **regulate the economy** on the **national level**?
7. Why did the Progressive movement **respond to social concerns**? How did Progressive journalist **attack social injustice**? Success? Failures?

8. How/Why did the Progressive movement work to effect **social change in the cities** and amongst **immigrant populations**?

9. What disagreements existed about **immigration restrictions** amongst Progressives?

10. How/Why did the Progressive movement seek **federal legislation** that they believed would effectively generate **moral reform** on the **national level**?

11. Why did some Progressives advocate for a **Constitutional amendment** establishing **prohibition**?? Understand the temperance movement!

12. How did the Progressive movement advance the cause of **women's suffrage**? How did a **Constitutional amendment** providing for **women suffrage** finally become a reality? Understand the women's suffrage movement.

13. What government response to the **overuse of natural resources** did **preservationists** support? What government response to the overuse of natural resources did **conservationists** support? Compare and contrast the preservationists and conservations goals and strategies.

14. Describe the various responses of the Progressive Movement to the **existence of Southern segregation** and the **plight of African Americans**? What disagreements existed? Did the Progressive Movement do much to advance Civil Rights?

15. How did African Americans such as **WEB DuBois** and **Booker T. Washington** respond to the challenges facing African Americans in the late 19th and early 20th centuries? Compare and contrast their different approaches.