

Setting The Scene

1. Explain the effect of Leon Czolgosz firing of a gun in Buffalo, NY in 1901.

Theodore Roosevelt
Political Ambitions

2. Detail the political career and accomplishments of Teddy Roosevelt?

Read the information below and pages 639-640 (TR and Big Business) and answer the question below.

While in office, Roosevelt became a "trust buster" by forcing the great railroad combination in the Northwest to break apart. As President, Roosevelt saw himself a representative of all the people, including farmers, laborers, white collar workers, and businessmen. Roosevelt therefore was focused on bringing big business under stronger regulation so that he could effectively serve all the people he represented. He sought to regulate, rather than dissolve, most trusts. Efforts continued over the next several years, to reduce the control of "big business" over the U.S. economy and workers. Earlier Congress passed the Sherman Antitrust Act in 1890 to maintain economic liberty, and to eliminate restraints on trade and competition. This act came into play during Roosevelt's trust busting activities.

3. Explain why Teddy Roosevelt was known as a trustbuster. Describe the famous trusts that he broke up.

Theodore Roosevelt
Support for Labor

4. Explain how Teddy Roosevelt showed support for labor during the coal miners strike.

**Theodore Roosevelt
The Square Deal**

5. Explain why farmers and consumers to workers and owners liked Teddy Roosevelt's Square Deal.

**Theodore Roosevelt
The Square Deal: Consumers**

6. After reading Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*, Teddy Roosevelt urged Congress to pass and signed two new laws to protect consumers. Explain what each of the laws did to protect consumers.

A. Pure Food and Drug Act

B. The Meat Inspection Act

**Theodore Roosevelt
The Square Deal: Conserving Resources**

7. Explain why Teddy Roosevelt is considered the first environmentalist President.

**Theodore Roosevelt
The National Park System**

8. After reading the section labeled Geography and History answer the following question. What benefit does the National Park System provide us today?

Taft and the Progressives

9. Why did consumers dislike the tariffs approved by President Taft..

**Theodore Roosevelt
The Square Deal**

10. Why did Teddy Roosevelt form the Bull Moose Party? How did his entry into the election of 1912 affect the outcome?

Woodrow Wilson in the White House

11. Three of Woodrow Wilson's accomplishments were the passing of new laws. Explain each law in detail.

A. Federal Reserve Act

B. Federal Reserve Commission

C. Clayton Antitrust Act
