

**Unit 4 Reading Assignments: A New Century, a New America**

**1. An Introduction to Progressivism – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Give Me Liberty!* – pp. 724-726 Chapter 18 Introduction

Triangle Shirtwaist Company Fire	Progressive Era	Progressives
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- What effect did the Triangle Shirtwaist Company Fire have on American government and industry?
- What was the “Progressive era?” Who were the “Progressives?”
- To what extent were Progressives successful in expanding freedom for all Americans?

**2. The Progressive Presidents: Roosevelt and Taft – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Give Me Liberty!* – pp. 756-760 “The Progressive Presidents” through “Taft in Power”

Square Deal	Hepburn Act	conservation	Sixteenth Amendment
Northern Securities Company	Pure Food and Drug Act	Yellowstone	Payne-Aldrich Tariff
	Meat Inspection Act	John Muir	Progressive Party

- How did Teddy Roosevelt’s administration attempt to solve economic inequality? (This includes trusts and consumer concerns.)
- How did Teddy Roosevelt’s administration attempt to protect the environment?
- How did the Taft administration approach problems of economic inequality? (This includes trusts and tariffs.)
- Why did Teddy Roosevelt create a third party in 1912?

**3. The Progressive Presidents: Wilson – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Give Me Liberty!* – pp. 760-762 “The Election of 1912” through “The Expanding Role of Government”

New Freedom	Underwood Tariff	Adamson Act	Federal Trade Commission (FTC)
New Nationalism	Clayton Act	Warehouse Act	
Progressive Party	Keating-Owen Act	Federal Reserve System	

- Compare New Freedom and New Nationalism.
- How did Wilson win the election of 1912?
- How did the Wilson administration approach problems of economic inequality? (This includes tariffs, labor, farmers’ debt, currency problems, and big business corruption.)

**4. The “WHY” of American Imperialism – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

*Give Me Liberty!* – pp. 703-705 “The New Imperialism” through “The Lure of Empire”

imperialism	territorial acquisition	Alfred T. Mahan	Joseph Pulitzer
Monroe Doctrine	Josiah Strong	William Randolph Hearst	“yellow press”

- What was the global context of American imperialism in the late 19th and early 20th centuries? (In other words - what other countries were participating in imperialist activities during that time? Where were those other countries expanding their empires?)
- How was this new imperialism different from previous American expansion?
- What reasons did Josiah Strong, Alfred T. Mahan, and the yellow press have for encouraging American imperialism?

**5. The "HOW" of American Imperialism – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

Give Me Liberty! – pp. 705-715 "The 'Splendid Little War'" through "Citizens or Subjects?"

Spanish-American War	Teller Amendment	Boxer Rebellion	Rudyard Kipling
	Platt Amendment	the Philippine War	Foraker Act
<i>U.S.S. Maine</i>	Open Door Policy	Emilio Aguinaldo	Insular cases

- Why did the U.S. declare war on Spain in 1898?
- What were the results of the Spanish-American War? (In other words, what did the U.S. gain?)
- Why did the U.S. begin to intervene in China during the late 19th and early 20th centuries?
- Why did the U.S. fight the Philippine War?
- What constitutional issues were raised by the acquisition of new overseas territories?

**6. The Debate over American Imperialism – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

Give Me Liberty! – pp. 717-718 "Republic or Empire?"

Anti-Imperialist League	empire	William McKinley
republic	election of 1900	William Jennings Bryan

- What arguments did anti-imperialists use against American imperialism?
- What was the major issue of the 1900 election? Where did each party/candidate stand on the issue? Which side did the voters choose?

**7. Foreign Policy in the Early Twentieth Century – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

Give Me Liberty! – pp. 770-775 "An Era of Intervention," all sections

Monroe Doctrine	Panama Canal	Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine	Dollar Diplomacy
"big stick" diplomacy			moral imperialism

- How and where and why did TR exercise America's strength as a world power?
- How did Taft's foreign policy strategy differ from TR's?
- How did Wilson's foreign policy strategy differ from both TR and Taft's?

**8. WWI at Home – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

Give Me Liberty! – pp. 779-782 "The Progressives' War" through "The Propaganda War" and pp. 783-786 "The Coming of Woman Suffrage" through "The Espionage Act" and pp. 835 "Clear and Present Danger" and pp. 798-799 "Closing Ranks" through "The Great Migration and the 'Promised Land'"

Selective Service Act	Committee on Public Information	Prohibition	ACLU
War Industries Board	National Women's Party	Eighteenth Amendment	<i>Schenck v. U.S.</i>
War Labor Board	Nineteenth Amendment	Espionage & Sedition Acts	Great Migration

- Why did many Progressives support American participation in the Great War?
- In what ways did the government mobilize civilian support for the war?
- What role did the war play in the passage of the eighteenth and nineteenth amendments?
- How did the government attempt to balance security and civil liberties during wartime? How did Americans respond?
- What role did African Americans play in the war effort? What changes did the war bring to African Americans in the U.S.?

**9. Safe for Democracy? – DUE: \_\_\_\_\_**

Give Me Liberty! – pp. 803-808 "Wilson at Versailles" through "The Treaty Debate"

Versailles Treaty	League of Nations	self-determination	Warren G. Harding
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- Why was Wilson unsuccessful in his attempts to insert all of his Fourteen Points into the Versailles Treaty? What provisions did the Treaty contain?
- What impact did Wilson's Fourteen Points have on political movements around the world?
- Why did the U.S. Senate reject ratification of the Versailles Treaty?