

Immigrants and Urban Challenges

Chapter 13, Section 1

As you read Pgs 400--404, answer the following questions. Use the back side if you need more space to write.

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1. In addition to industry transportation and technology revolutions, what was the other major change that happened in United States in the mid-1800s?
2. How many immigrants settled in the United States between 1840 and 1860?
3. Why did many of them come what were they fleeing (running away) from?
4. During the mid-1840s what caused people from Ireland to move to the United States?
5. What kind of jobs did Irish immigrants have when they settled in United States?

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6. Describe the working hours and wages of the Irish immigrants.
7. What did the United States seem to offer that attracted German immigrants?
8. Explain one main difference between Irish and German immigrants.
9. What kinds of jobs did German immigrants have?

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10. Why were native born Americans fearful of immigrants?
11. What does implicit mean?
12. What were native born Americans implicitly threatened by?
13. Who were nativists?
14. What was the Know-Nothing party?
15. What cause the Know-Nothing party to fall apart?
16. The industrial revolution lead to the creation of what?
17. The transportation revolution helped what?
18. Both of those combined resulted in what change in American cities?
19. What is meant by the term middle class?
20. What were the favorite pastimes of the mid-1800s?

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21. Many immigrants could only afford to live in tenements, what is a tenement?
22. During the mid-1800s why did diseases spread easily and epidemics common?
23. Why was crime and increase problem during this time. Especially in places like New York Boston and Philadelphia?
24. Why was fire a constant and serious danger in the cities?