Gilded Age Review Topics

**Gilded Age: how the US government promoted expansion of railroads**

**the abuses in the railroad industry and how these led to the first efforts at industrial regulation by the federal government**

**how the economy became dominated by trusts**

**horizontal and vertical integration**

**the gospel of wealth**

**the position of the government in the battle between labor and management**

**the leadership of the major political parties during the Gilded Age**

**reasons behind the growth of political machines**

**impact of industrial growth on the distribution of wealth in America**

**Knights of Labor**

**AFL**

**why it was so difficult to organize into unions**

**the working and living conditions of the average industrial worker**

**Samuel Gompers**

**Andrew Carnegie**

**John D. Rockefeller**

**Cornelius Vanderbilt**

Factors for the rise of Big Business

* Railroads
* New business practices
* Government/politics (parties? Tariffs? Etc.)

What were the impacts of these factors? What problems developed and were there any solutions proposed or made?

* Farmers
* Workers
* Political Leadership
* Social classes
* immigrants

Legislation and the development of new political parties

* What parties formed?
* What types of legislation were passed during the Gilded Age?