Turn of the Century

SS5H3 The student will describe how life changed in America at the turn of the century.

- A. Describe the role of the cattle trails in the late 19th century; include the Black Cowboys of Texas, the Great Western Cattle Trail, and the Chisholm Trail.
- B. Describe the impact on American life of the Wright brothers, George Washington Carver, Alexander Graham Bell, and Thomas Edison.
- C. Explain how William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt expanded America's role in the world; include the Spanish-American War and the building of the Panama Canal.
- D. Describe the reasons people emigrated to the U.S., from where they emigrated, and where they settled.
- E. Describe the impact of westward expansion on Native Americans; include the Battle of the Little Bighorn and the relocation of Native Americans to reservations.

Vocabulary

- Cattle drives-journeys taken to drive herds to the market
- Herd- a number of animals of one kind kept together under human control.
- Barbed wire-twisted wire with a sharp point



Cowboys

- Cowboys became legendary figures during the late 1800's.
- Cowboys drove large herds of cattle from ranches to towns and markets where they could be shipped and sold.
- These cattle drives could often take days or weeks.
- Many of these cowboys were African Americans.
- Black cowboys were common in places like Texas.
- Often, these black cowboys were freed slaves who made their way west following the Civil War.
- Nat Love was one of the most famous African-American cowboys.



Cattle Trails

- Cattle trails were routes used by cowboys to drive cattle great distances.
- The Chisholm Trail ran from Texas, north through Oklahoma and into Kansas.
- Texas cowboys used it to drive herds to Kansas towns where the cattle could be loaded onto trains and shipped east to market.
- They were shipped east because they could get a lot more money for the cattle.
- The Great Western Cattle Trail was another famous path used by cowboys.
- By the late 1800's, cattle trails were not as popular because of the invention and use of barbed wire.

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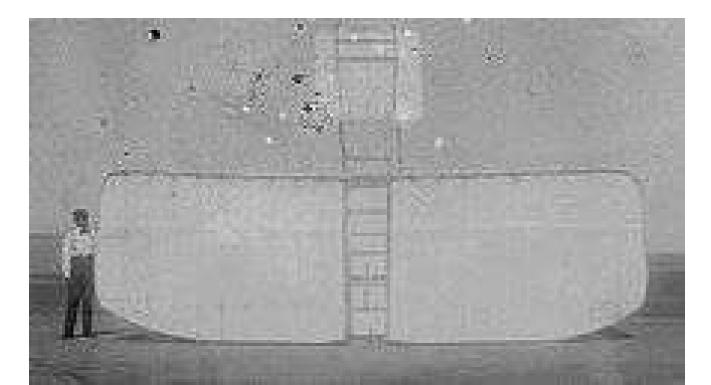
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Inventors

The Wright Brothers

• Orville and Wilbur Wright made the first successful airplane flight in 1903 at a place called Kitty Hawk, North Carolina.





George Washington Carver

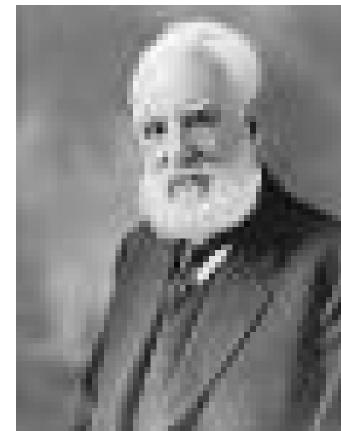
- He studied how to improve the lives of poor southern farmers.
- One of the first African Americans to make great contributions in science.
- He developed the crop rotation method.
- This method saved the soil by one year planting cotton and another year planting a different crop.
- He taught them to grow crops such as peanuts, pecans, and sweet potatoes instead of cotton.
- He invented over 300 new uses for peanuts.



Alexander Graham Bell

- He invented the telephone in 1876.
- He invented the telephone because he was fascinated by the deaf and wanted to learn more about hearing.



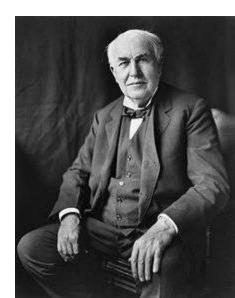


Thomas Edison

 He created over 1,000 inventions. In 1877, he invented the phonograph, or record player. In 1879, he invented the electric light bulb.







Match the person with the invention

- George Washington Carver
- Thomas Edison
- Wright Brothers
- Alexander Graham Bell

What impact do these inventions have on American life today?





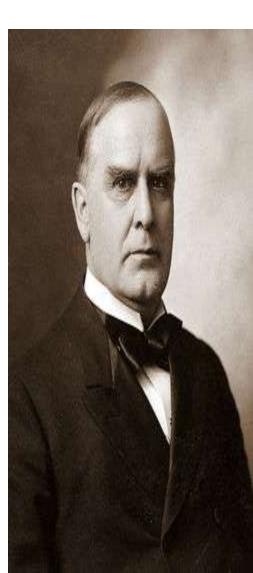


Spanish-American War & Panama Canal

Vocabulary

- Revolt- to go against a person or group in power
- Yellow journalism- printing stories in text that are not true
- Declare- to make a statement
- Imperialism- one nation gains power by taking over other nations
- Isthmus- a narrow strip that links two larger pieces of land and has water on both sides.
- Immigrants- a person that moves from one country to another to live

- In 1895, the people of Cuba revolted against Spain.
- American newspapers wrote about Spain's cruel treatment of Cuba, but their stories weren't always true. This was known as yellow journalism.



- In 1898, the U.S. Navy ship Maine exploded in Havana harbor, Cuba.
- No one knew how the Maine exploded, but American papers blamed Spain.
- President McKinley soon asked
 Congress to declare war on Spain.



- Theodore Roosevelt asked President McKinley to help fight in the war.
- McKinley said yes and Roosevelt quit his job and started a volunteer fighting group called the "Rough Riders".
- Roosevelt asked a group of African American soldiers (Buffalo Soldiers) to join him to fight, and together they won the Battle of San Juan Hill.



- Spain surrendered in 1898.
- In the peace agreement, Spain gave Puerto Rico, the Philippines, and Guam to the U.S. Cuba became independent.
- This showed that the U.S. was becoming a world power. By adding more territories we were expanding as a country (imperialism).



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Spanish-American War Quiz

- What country revolted against Spain in 1895?
- Stories printed in the newspaper that are not true are known as what vocabulary word?
- What U.S. Navy ship exploded in Havana Harbor?
- How does this picture relate to what we are studying?
- Spain surrendered in 1898 and this showed that the U.S. was becoming a what?



•Panama Canal

- Theodore Roosevelt became President in 1901.
- He believed the U.S. should build a canal linking the Pacific and Atlantic Ocean.
- Building this canal would save ships the long expensive trip around the southern tip of South America.

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- Panama had an isthmus which is a narrow strip that links two larger pieces of land and has water on both sides.
- Panama was part of the South American country of Colombia and Roosevelt tried to buy the land from the Colombians. They would not sell the land.



- Roosevelt tried another plan. He helped the people of Panama win their independence from Colombia.
- The new leaders of Panama agreed to let the U.S. build the Panama Canal.

European Immigrants

- Eastern cities in the U.S. were growing because of immigrants.
- Before 1870, most immigrants came to the U.S. from northern and western European countries.
- After 1870, most immigrants were from southern and eastern European countries.
- Over 200,000 Chinese immigrated to the U.S. between 1850 and 1880.
- Between 1870 and 1920, over 400,000 Japanese immigrated to the U.S.
- Many people with different religious views came to the U.S. and we were soon filled with many different places to worship.
- Immigrants usually lived near people from their own country.
- In big cities like New York and Chicago, there were neighborhoods like "Little Italy" and "Chinatown."

Impact of Westward Expansion on Native Americans

- Towards the end of the nineteenth century the U.S. government took more and more land away from Native Americans for white settlers.
- The U.S. government forced many of the Indians to move to special areas called reservations.
- This caused several wars between the US Army and Native Americans.
- Most of the time the U.S. Army won because it was much stronger and had advanced weapons.
- Native Americans occasionally won some victories.



Battle of Little Bighorn

- The largest Native American victory happened at the Battle of Little Bighorn in 1876.
- A U.S. commander named George Armstrong Custer thought he could surprise and defeat a band of Sioux warriors.
- Custer had only a few hundred men.
- Custer did not know that the Sioux had thousands.
- Custer rushed into battle and the Sioux quickly surrounded and killed Custer's men.
- This became known as Custer's Last Stand.
- It was the last major victory for Native Americans over U.S. forces.
- By the late 1800's, the U.S. government controlled all land in the U.S.





Little Bighorn Battlefield

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