Standard 11 Vocabulary

1. Industrialization in US – Led to expansion of economy and need to further expand westward
2. Railroad Industry – Helped internal improvements; Needed great amounts of unskilled labor; increase in immigrants was result
3. Land Grants – Offered to railroad companies to help complete construction of railroad; not legitimate
4. Transcontinental Railroad – joined eastern and western halves of the U.S. Vital link for trade, commerce, and travel.
5. Central Pacific – Railroad that connected eastern rail lines to the west; Constructed from California to Utah
6. Chinese Laborers – Worked on the Central Pacific railroad because of labor shortage
7. Union Pacific – Originally constructed to aid war effort; Built from East to West
8. Irish Laborers – Main source of labor for Union Pacific Railroad
9. Steel Industry – Increased due to increase in Railroad industry
10. Bessemer Process – Mass production of steel from iron
11. Andrew Carnegie – Leader of American steel industry; Carnegie Steel Company
12. John D. Rockefeller – Bought Carnegie Steel Company from Carnegie creating U.S. Steel Corporation
13. Standard Oil Company – Founded by John D. Rockefeller; Monopolized oil in the U.S. during 1800s;
14. Trusts – A large business that often associated with abusive business practices
15. Monopolies – A company is the only one providing goods/services to a market
16. Alexander Graham Bell – Inventor of the first practical telephone
17. Thomas Edison – Developed phonograph, motion-picture camera, and long-lasting electric light bulb
18. Menlo Park – Sight of first industrial research laboratory (Edison)
19. Electric Light bulb, Phonograph & Motion Pictures – Development of these influenced the lives of people around the world