

8th Grade Social Studies Final Exam
Practice Review (2)

Time Periods of American History:

Civil Rights Movement	World War I
Roaring Twenties	Cold War
Age of Imperialism	Immigration
Closing of the Frontier (West)	
Great Depression	World War II
Progressive Era	Age of Industry

- Period in American History between when the Stock Market crashed in 1929 and the start of World War II. It described the worst economic downfall in U.S. history, marked by reduced industrial production, business failures, and, at its' height, an unemployment rate of 25%.

- Period in American History (1920-1929) marked by many happy and exciting years which brought many changes to transportation, women's rights, African Americans, mass media, new consumer products, music, and alcohol consumption.

-Period in American History (1900-1920) that is characterized by political, economic, and social reform movements.

Period in American History characterized by the closing of the frontier (west). Disappearing will be the open range for cattle, herds of buffalo will all but disappear, open plains will be divided into plots for farmers and reservations will be set up for Native Americans to settle on, ending their migratory ways.

- Period in American History (1941-1945) marked by changing governments, rise of dictators, and aggressor nations. The U.S. was drawn into the war after being neutral when Japan attacked the U.S. Naval fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

- Period in American History following World War II and lasting until the downfall of the Soviet Union in 1991. It was characterized by competition between democratic and communist nations.

-Period in American History marked by the movement of people from one country to another. Major causes were religious and political persecution and poverty in their homelands. Early peoples came from northern and western Europe. Later peoples came from eastern and southern Europe as well as Asian nations.

- Period in American History marked by African Americans gaining equal rights. Leaders like Martin Luther King, Jr. and Rosa Parks helped this movement. This movement attempted to help African Americans fight discrimination, racism, and prejudice.

-Period in American History when America changed from a farming nation to a nation full of factories and businesses. This period saw the rise of inventions, factories, corporations, and labor unions.

-Period in American History (1916-1919) that was an armed conflict, fought mainly in Europe, and sparked by the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand and the resulting involvement of European military alliances. The United States entered the war in 1917 to "make the world safe for democracy" and, partially, in response to Germany's practice of unrestricted submarine warfare and the sinking of the Lusitania.

-Period in American History after the Spanish American War (1898) when America took overseas lands. The U.S. annexed the Philippines, Puerto Rico, Hawaii, and Samoa. Americans also developed trade with China and Japan.

Famous Persons in American History: