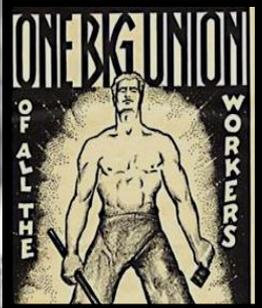


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America 2.0





AMERICA 2.0

America 2.0 picks up in 1877 with what many hoped was the dawn of a new age. The guns of the Civil War had fallen silent, Reconstruction "reunited" the nation (sort of), and Big Business was quick to capitalize on an influx of immigrants to the nation's shores. Cities grew, Progressives combated society's ills, and the country turned an imperialistic eye overseas.

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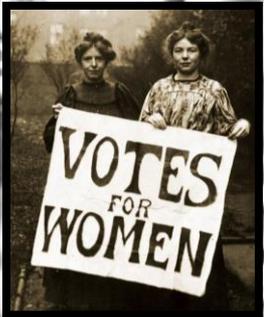


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Lesson 1

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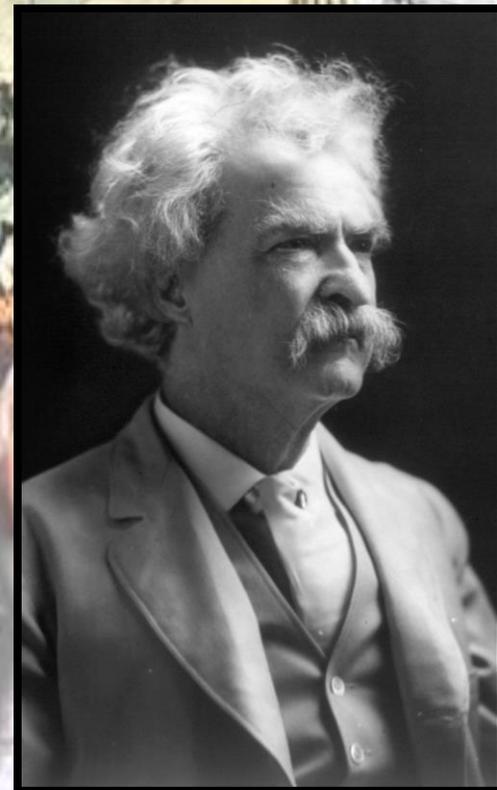
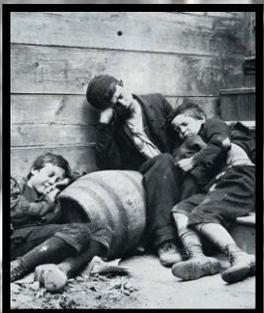
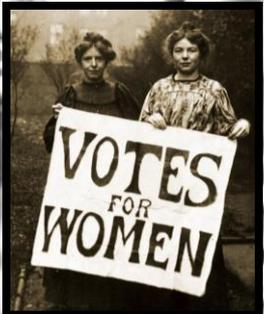
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GILDED AGE:

In **1873**, Mark Twain and Charles Warner wrote a novel entitled *The Gilded Age: A Tale of Today*. Historians later adopted the term “**Gilded Age**” and applied it to the era in U.S. History that **began** about **1870** and **ended** around **1900**.



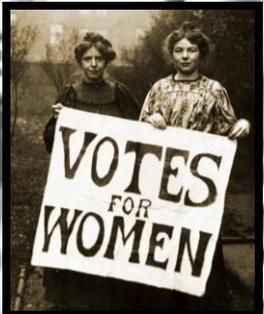
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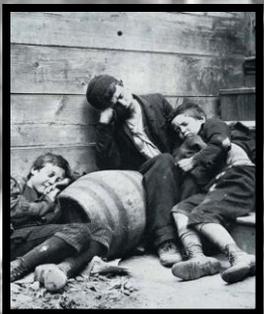


GILDED AGE:

The era was a time of amazing **new inventions** led to rapid industrial growth.



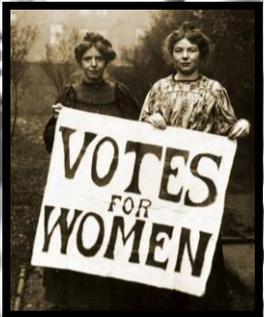
Cities grew in size. Wealthy entrepreneurs built spectacular mansions. **Skyscrapers** reached to the sky, and **electric lights** banished the darkness.



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GILDED AGE:



However, by calling this era the “Gilded Age”, **Twain and Warner** were not being complementary. They **were sounding an alarm.**



Something is **gilded** if it is **covered with gold on the outside** but made of **cheap material inside.**



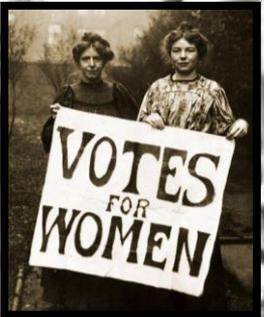
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GILDED AGE:

At first glance, the **Gilded Age** might appear to be a time of amazing industrial achievement (and it was), but upon further inspection, it **was** also **rife with corruption, poverty, crime, and great disparities** in wealth between the **rich** and the **poor**. (It was sort of like a golden “turd”.)



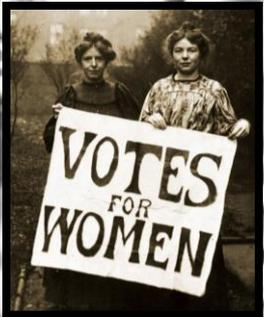
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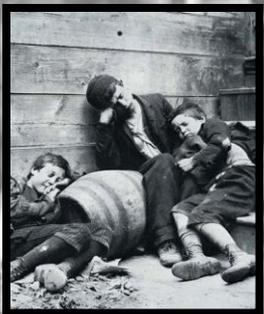
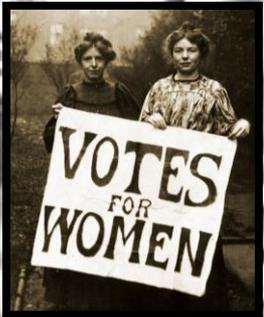




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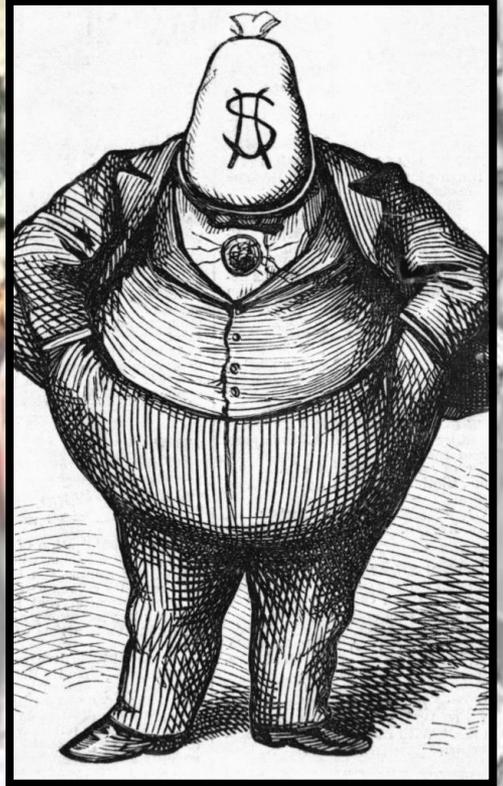
The name was meant to make fun of those that flaunted their wealth (and played on term "Golden Age").





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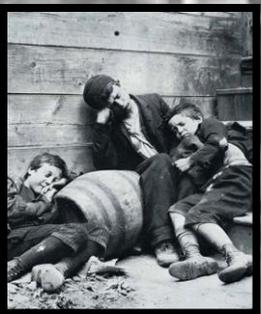
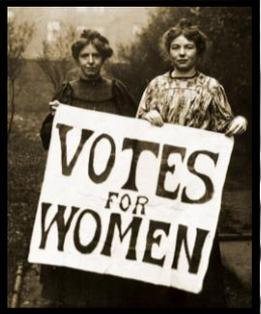
Twain and Warner used the term to mock the culture of the “new rich” (who lacked tradition) and how they became as showy as their counterparts in the upper-class across European societies.





GILDED AGE:

Whether the era was golden or merely gilded, it was certainly a time of great cultural activity. **Industrialism and urbanization altered the way Americans looked at themselves and their society, and these changes gave rise to new values, new art, and new entertainment.**



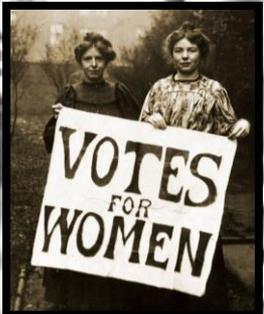
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GILDED AGE:

There were **eight Presidencies** (but only seven Presidents) during the **Gilded Age**.



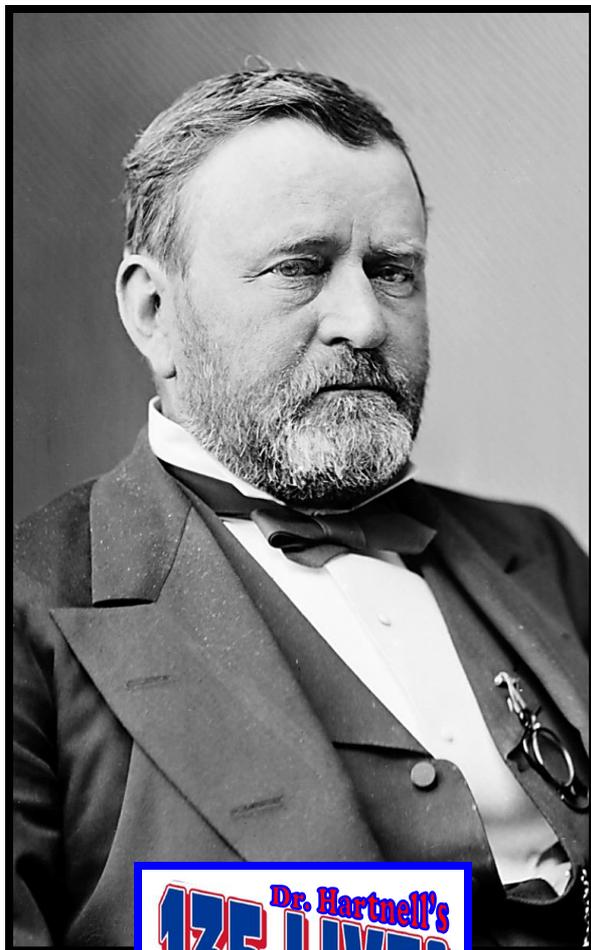
Here is who served:



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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is



Ulysses S. Grant

Lived: 1822-1885; Served: 1869-1877

I served as the 18th U.S. President.

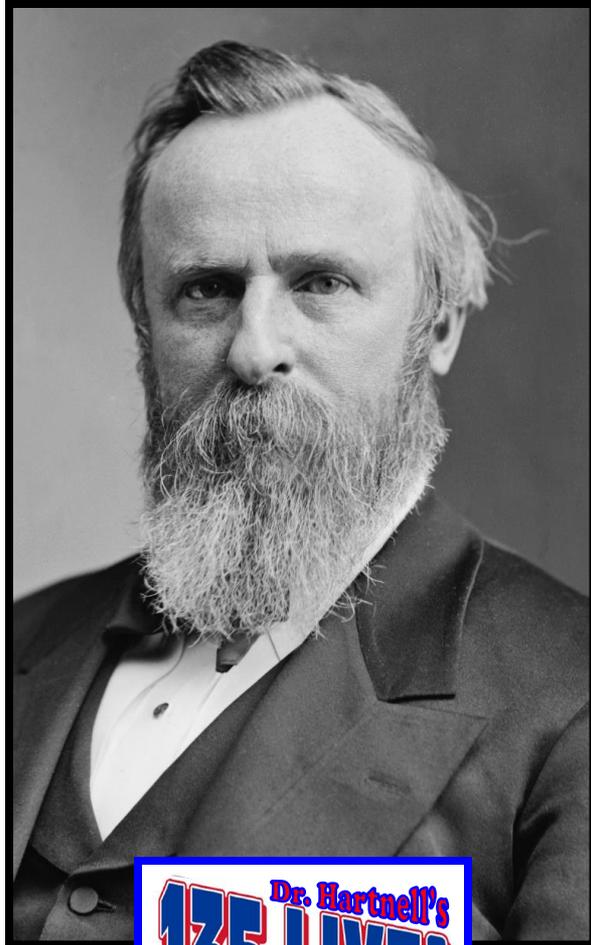
I was a Republican.

A Union Civil War hero, I advocated for and supported the passage of the 15th Amendment while fighting for the rights of Native Americans and newly freed blacks.

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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is



Rutherford B. Hayes

Lived: 1822-1893; Served: 1877-1881

I served as the 19th U.S. President.

I was a Republican.

Despite becoming President due to the Compromise of 1877, I was **dedicated to improving the government after the Civil War while protecting the rights of people of all races.**

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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

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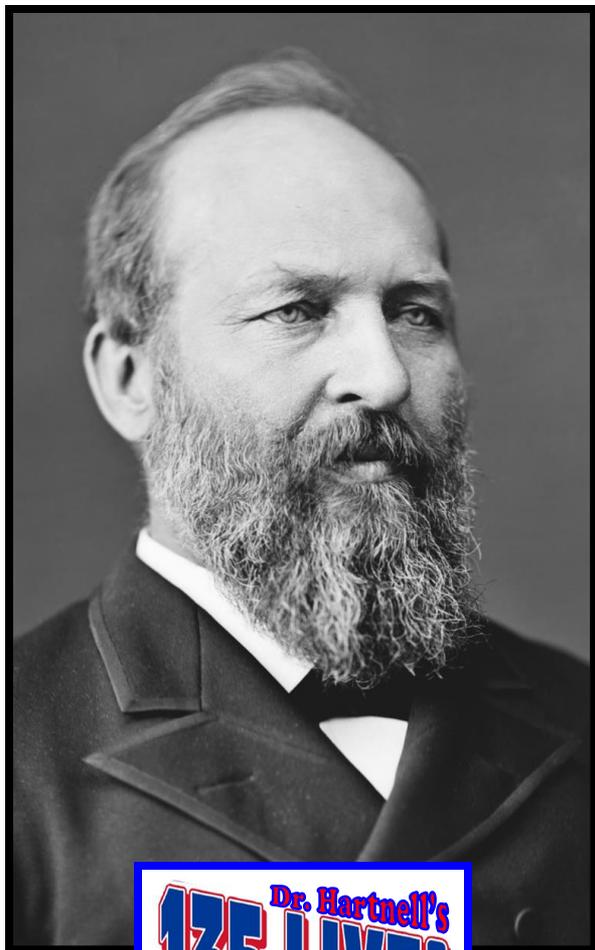
James A. Garfield

Lived: 1831-1881; Served: 1881

I served as the 20th U.S. President.

I was a Republican.

I was **shot 200 days into** my **term** and died a few months later from complications, but not before I left his mark with **efforts to end political corruption.**



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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is



Chester A. Arthur

Lived: 1829-1881; Served: 1881-1885

I served as the 21st U.S. President.

I was a Republican.

I helped to **fund** the **Navy**, worked to secure **funding for Native American education**, and held the nickname “Elegant Arthur” because of my desire to change outfits frequently.

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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is

Grover Cleveland

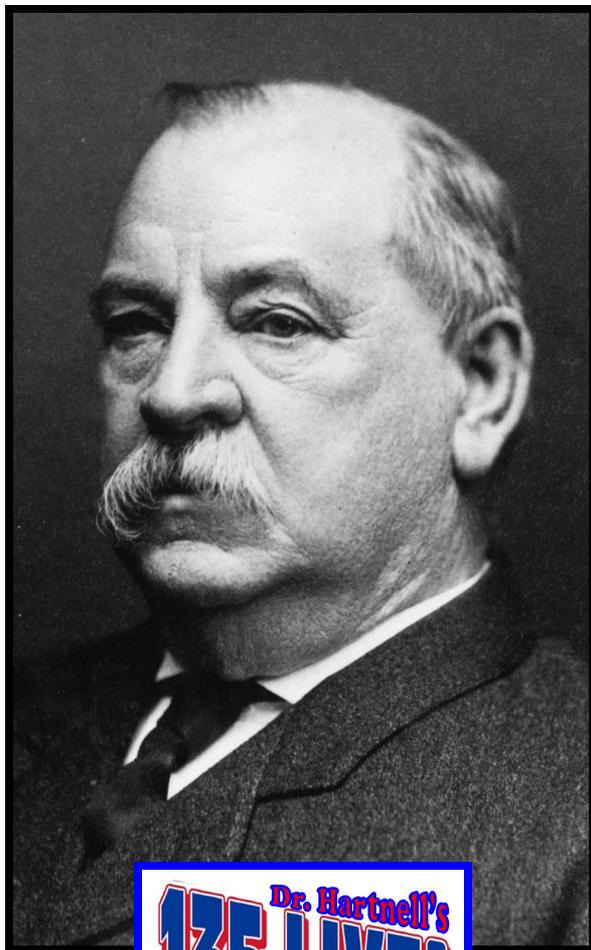
Lived: 1837-1908; Served: 1885-1889

I served as the 22nd U.S. President.

I was a Democratic.

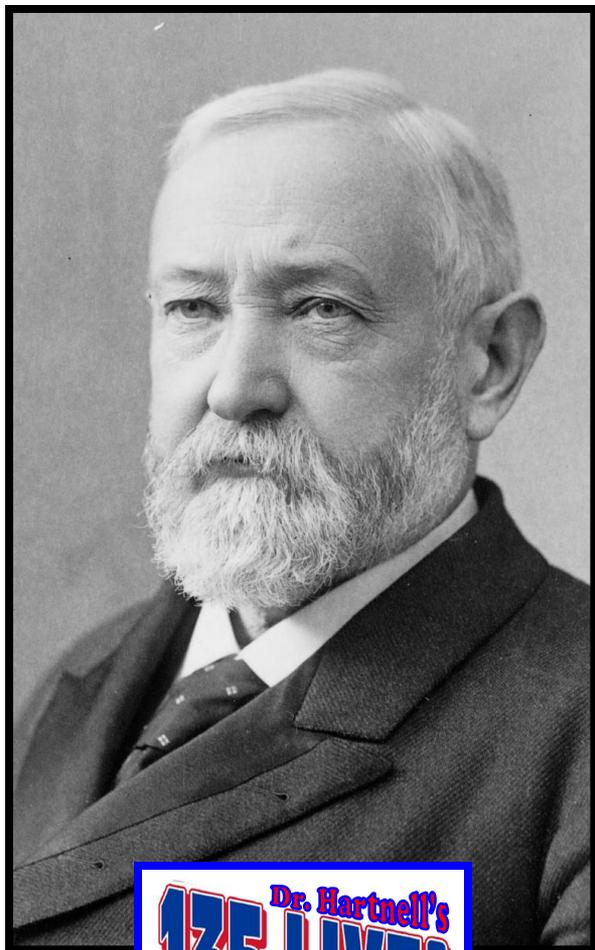
I tried to reduce government spending, **used the veto more often than any other President up to that point** and **wanted to have protective tariffs lowered** (cost me my re-election).

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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is



Benjamin Harrison

Lived: 1833-1901; Served: 1889-1893

I also served as the 23rd U.S. President.

I was a Republican.

I welcomed Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Washington, Idaho, and Wyoming as new states into the U.S., and I **imposed** **historic protective trade rates.**

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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is

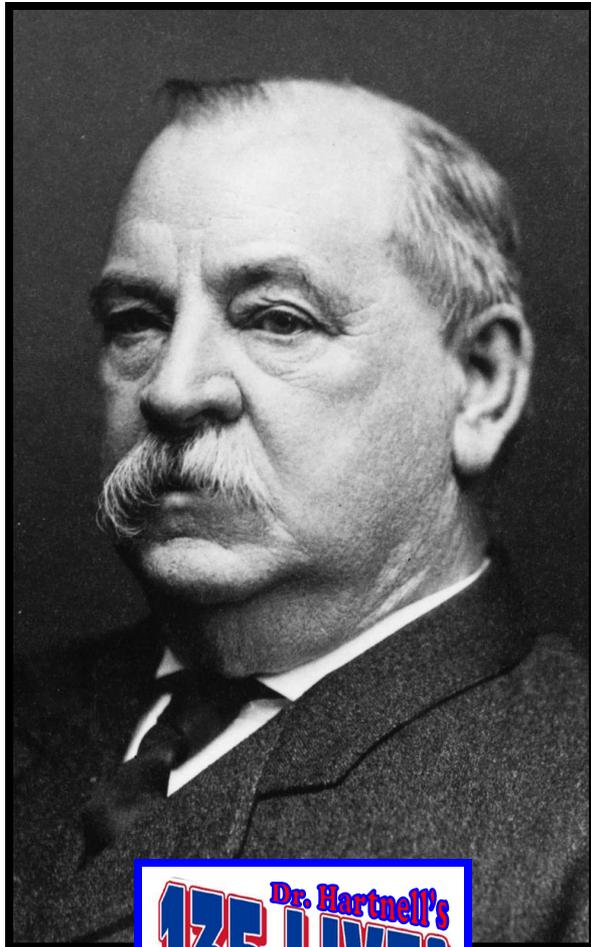
Grover Cleveland

Lived: 1837-1908; Served: 1893-1897

I also served as the 24th U.S. President.

I was a Democrat.

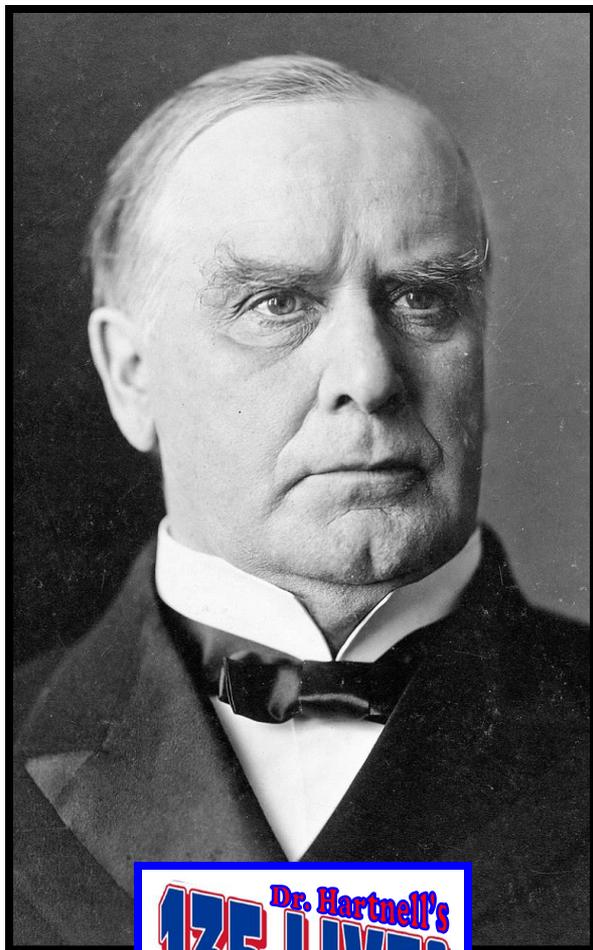
I am the only President to **serve non-consecutive terms**, and I **struggled** greatly to **unite** the **country** after an economic depression in 1893.



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Who's  Who?
U.S. Presidents

HELLO
my name is



William McKinley

Lived: 1843-1901; Served: 1897-1901

I also served as the 25th U.S. President.

I was a Republican.

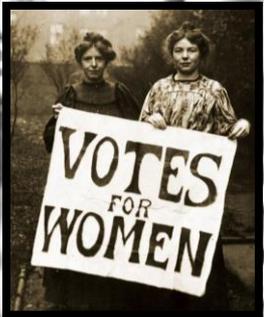
I was **President** during the **Spanish-American War** and **helped** make the **U.S.** a **world power** while pushing to rebuild the economy **until my** untimely death via **assassination**.

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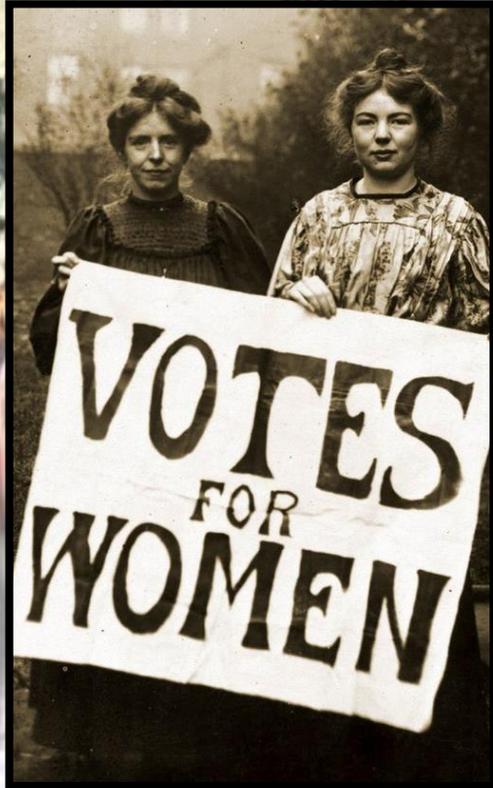


GILDED AGE:

Things weren't "all bad" during the Gilded Age. In fact, **many new social movements took hold** during this time.



Disappointed that the 15th Amendment did not extend voting rights to them, female abolitionists continued to fight for women's suffrage.



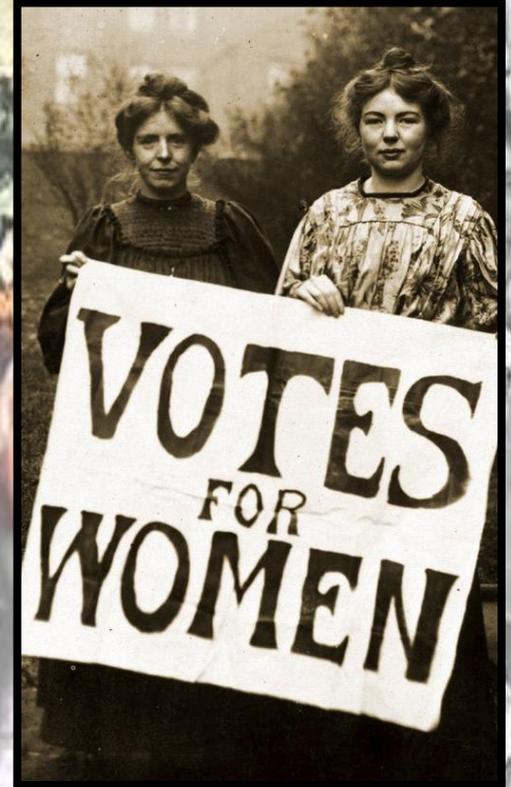
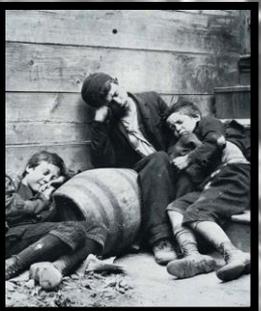
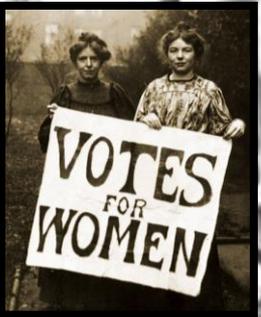
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GILDED AGE:

Their efforts eventually culminated in the **19th Amendment** (ratified in **1920**) that **gave women the right to vote.**

Other social movements worked to **combat unfair labor laws**, brought about **Prohibition**, and addressed growing **racial tensions.**



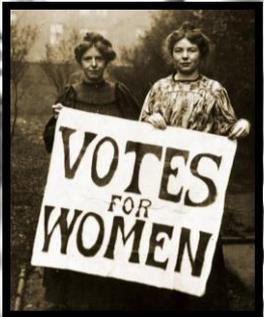
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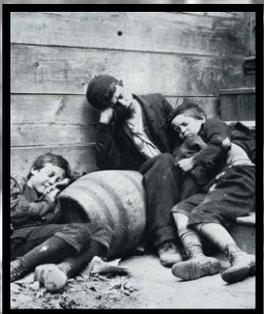


GILDED AGE:

The end of the Gilded Age coincided with the Panic of 1893, a deep depression, which lasted until 1897 and marked a major political realignment in the Election of 1896.



This era was followed by the Progressive Era that saw the continuation of social reforms.



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FAST 5: UNIT 2, LESSON 1 (AH 2.01)

QUESTION 1 

1. When did the Gilded Age start and end?



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QUESTION 2



2. What writers coined the term "Gilded Age"? What does that term mean?



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QUESTION 3 



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3. Why is term "Gilded Age" a good way of describing this time in American History?



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QUESTION 4 



4. Provide one example of a social movement that rose out of the Gilded Age.



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QUESTION 5

5. What was the significance of the 19th Amendment?



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