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Gilded Age Guided Notes

Years: 1870 - 1900

Essential Question: Why do some have and others do not?

Term	Definition
Gilded Age	An era of serious social problems disguised by advances in industry and technology ↳ Coined by Mark Twain (satire)

↑ use of humor

Main Events of the Gilded Age

Thin Gold "Gilding"	Serious Problems
<p>Coast to coast ↗</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transcontinental Railroad completed in 1869 • Economic growth in the North and West <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Led to immigration Chicago ↘ • Growth of cities (skyscrapers) • Call for reform 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfair working conditions • Devastated South → Civil War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↳ Jim Crow Laws ↳ racial violence; KKK • Gap between "have" and "have not" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ↳ monopoly ↳ robber barons

Other events...

- Seneca Falls – Susan B. Anthony
- *○ Social Darwinism – Survival of the Fittest ← strongest survive, weak will not
- Great Chicago Fire (1871)

Politics of the Gilded Age

Term	Definition
Spoils System Andrew Jackson	Successful politicians politicians give public office to supporters ↳ Creates Corruption