Crash Course US History No. 23 (The Industrial Economy) and No. 25 (Growth, Cities, and Immigration)

Name_____ Period_____

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Episode 23—The Industrial Economy

1. John Green discusses the impact of G, D, and L in helping the US to grow economically during this time period. What are G, D, and L?

2. In 1870, the American population was 40 million. By 1900, the American population

was _____ million.

3. What role did the railroads play in helping the American economy to grow?

4. How did Cornelius Vanderbilt make his great wealth?

5. How did John D. Rockefeller make his wealth? What eventually happened to Rockefeller's company? (Hint: What did the US Supreme Court order?)

6. What was the name of the first national labor union?

7. Samuel Gompers founded the American Federation of Labor (AFL). The AFL focused on what three issues?

Episode 25—Growth, Cities, and Immigration

8. By 1920, what percentage of Americans lived in cities?

9. Where did many Irish immigrants settle when they came to the United States?

10. From 1840-1914, the US rapidly industrialized. During this time period, how many immigrants came to the United States?

11. Why did most immigrants come to the United States?

12. What new innovations were used by major cities to address their transportation needs? (Their desire to move large groups of people.)