


★ Reteaching Activity 12

Industrialization, 1865–1901

Industry changed rapidly after the Civil War. A host of new inventions helped to increase the productivity of workers. Millions of immigrants arrived to find jobs in the growing economy. The owners of large corporations tried to consolidate businesses and increase their wealth. At the same time, unions sought to achieve a better balance of power between the corporations and their workers.

DIRECTIONS: The table below lists terms that relate to post-Civil War industrialization. Complete the table by explaining how each of the numbered items impacted industry in the United States.

 Post-Civil War Industrialization	
	Impact on Industry
1. Laissez-faire	
2. Railroad consolidation	
3. Economies of scale	
4. Corporations/limited liability/monopolies	
5. Holding company	
6. Blacklist	

7. Critical Thinking The same entrepreneurial spirit that inspired the growth of industries in the late 1800s drives businesses today. Name one recent invention or economic innovation and describe how it is changing the business world today.