

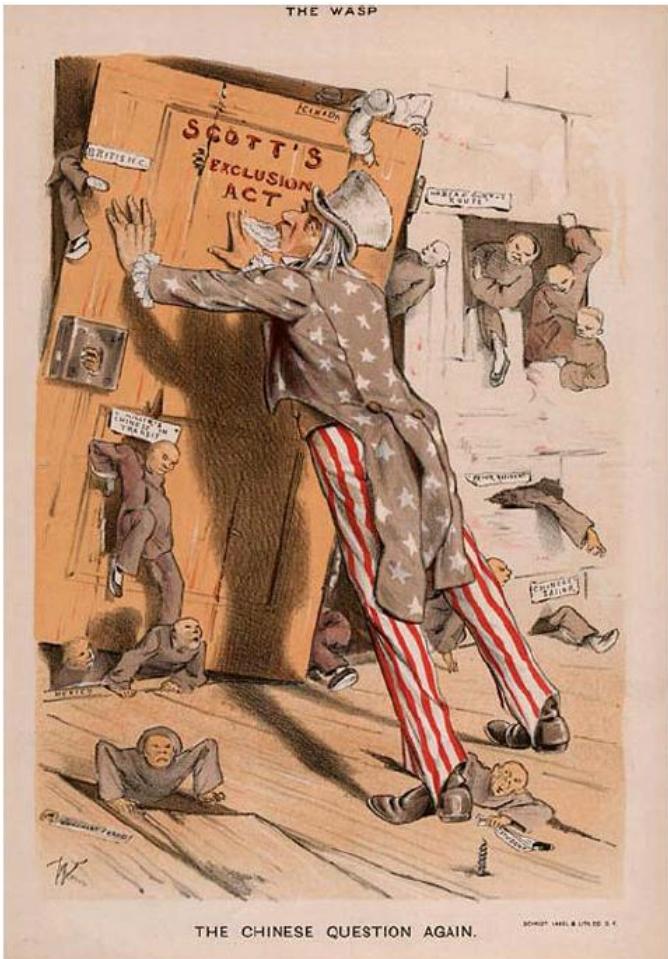
REVIEW FOR OUTCOME H

8th Grade Social Studies

General Ideas

- Most Latin immigrants settled in the Southwest.
- Most European immigrants settled on the East Coast and in the Midwest.
- Most Asian immigrants settled on the West Coast.

Chinese Immigration



Courtesy of the Library of Congress

- Uncle Sam
- Restricting the number of Asian immigrants
- Many Americans feared that immigrants would take away jobs and overtake America.

Great Migration

Pushed them out of their homelands

- Suffering religious persecution
- There was upheaval in their homelands
- Some were facing starvation

Pulled them into America

- There were better job opportunities
- There was the promise of freedom

Immigrants' Experiences

Asian Immigrants	European Immigrants	Latin American Immigrants
Faced Medical Examinations	Faced Medical Examinations	
Faced questions about where they planned to settle	Faced questions about where they planned to settle	
		Lowest number of immigrants
	Highest number of immigrants	
U.S. law restricted immigration from this group		
Faced discrimination in the entry process	Faced discrimination in the entry process	

Tenements

- Tenements were overcrowded and unsafe dwellings.
- Families had to share bathrooms.
- Immigrants were overcharged for living in them.
- The tradition of ethnic sections of cities began.
- Immigrants chose to settle in the sections of cities because
 - Their native language was spoken
 - They could find and make food from their homeland
 - They had access to newspapers and signs in their native language
 - They found a familiar religion.

Button Hook Exam



- Immigration inspectors would take the hook and lift the eyelid to check for signs of trachoma, a highly infectious eye disease that could lead to blindness.
- Immigrants were willing to go through this because they wanted to come to America for the opportunities of better jobs, homes, food, and religious freedom.

Medical Examinations on Ellis Island

1. X = possible mental illness	2. B = back
3. E = eyes	4. P = physical or lungs
5. SC = scalp	6. L = lameness
7. CT = trachoma	8. PG = pregnancy
9. C = conjunctivitis	10. FT = feet
11. S = senility	12. N = neck
13. H = heart	14. SI = (legal exam only) you had to see the board of special inquiry
15. X with circle around it = definite mental illness	16. G = goiter
17. F = face	18. K = hernia

□ **This is a medical list that inspectors used to mark any concerns they had about an immigrant's health.**

The Chinese Exclusion Act

"Whereas, in the opinion of the Government of the United States of America the coming of Chinese laborers to this country endangers the good order...Therefore, Be it enacted by...Congress assembled, ... the coming of Chinese laborers to the United States ... is hereby, suspended; and during such suspension it shall not be lawful for any Chinese laborer to come (to), or,... to remain within the United States."

- This law excluded Chinese immigrants from entering the U.S. It was passed in 1882 and lasted until 1943!

Harsh Entry Process

European Immigrants

- Separated from loved ones on Ellis Island
- Long lines
- Legal exams
- Medical exams
- Names were often changed
- Sometimes sent back

Chinese Immigrants

- Detained and imprisoned on Angel Island for long period of time before being "released" into America
- Most sent back due to the Chinese Exclusion Act
- Legal Exams
- Medical Exams
- Separated from loved ones on Angel Island

Came from....

28.

China



29.

Europe

30.

Latin America

Effects of Immigration

Positive Effects

- New and better jobs
- No more religious persecution
- No more starvation
- No more war/revolution

Negative Aspects

- Received less pay than American born
- Faced discrimination and racism
- Faced segregation
- Taken advantage of

Effect on America

Benefits

- Variety of foods
- Variety of cultures
- New work force available to companies and businesses
- Populated the country and helped to create new cities and states

Harm

- Racism
- Discrimination
- Rioting
- Overcrowding and increase of disease in cities

The Melting Pot



- There was an influx of immigrants at the turn of the century.
(Immigrants literally came “pouring in”.)
- The U.S. (Uncle Sam) was not dealing with the problems associated with immigration.
- All cultures mixed together to create a unique American culture.