

The Gilded Age

The Gilded Age was a period of U.S. history that lasted from the 1870s to about 1900. It is so called because it was a time of rapid economic growth, especially in the Northern and Western United States, as a result of technological innovations in transportation and manufacturing. Many people grew rich during this time, which was characterized by philanthropy, immigration, and political corruption.

YOUR ASSIGNMENT: Research this period in history to identify its key figures. Choose one of these individuals who interests you.

My Research Topic: _____

Find out the following about them. Answer the questions on a separate sheet of paper.

- What did they do?
- Why were they influential?
- Was this person controversial?
- What was this person's reputation during this time?
- Did they leave a lasting impact?
- What other key figures of the time were they associated with?



List three credible sources that you used to find out more about this individual.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____