1. Inventions like the typewriter, light bulb Speed up the successes of the Industrial Revolution in the United States

2. Harrison passing the McKinley Tariff in 1890 Protecting big businesses from foreign competition and keeping cost high for consumers

3. Big Businesses abusing workers with harsh Uprising of labor unions and demand

working conditions, long hours, low wages for government regulation for laborers

rights

4. Problems in urban cities in the 1880s Led to the creation of government

The tragic Shirtwaist Factory fire agencies to enforce building and safety

Codes

5. New immigrants coming to America Increase nativist feeling toward

in 1890 after the industrial Rev. is slowing foreigners

down

6. Social Darwinism Theory: survival Captian of Industry or Robber Barons:

of the fittest in business big businesses become so powerful they

run the govt. in the Gilded Age

7. Thomas Nast political cartoons Brought down Boss Tweed and Tammany Hall

8. Mechanization and the advancement of Caused farmers to default on their

technology during the Gilded Age loans. Caused problems in urban cities

9. Big businesses producing more products The thin layer of gold covering up

than the U.S. has ever seen. New inventions the corruption and reality of the Gilded

that make life easier. Transformation of cities Age

10. The U.S. Army joined with state militias The U.S. government favored the

to break up strike. Pennsylvania state troopers big businesses by limiting the

were sent in to break up the strike. Federal workers right to establish unions

troops were sent in after a court injunction and participate in strikes. This ensured

ended the strike. maximum profits.