**U.S. History Final Study Guide**

We will have a final for U.S. History class next Wednesday (1/21). Please bring a pencil or two for class and I will provide you with paper for writing. Below is the list of questions that may appear on the final. I will select six of them and ask you to write a short response (2-3 paragraphs) for each question. Your responses should demonstrate knowledge and mastery of the course content by using key words, ideas, and phrases from the multiple documents, discussions, film clips, and guest speakers we have examined this semester. I have tried to leave the questions open ended for students who have transferred into our class over the semester and may have been studying U.S. History topics in other courses.

**Key Terms**

Urban Metabolism

Nez Perce

Watershed

Robber Barons

Human Environment Interaction

Urban

Rural

Suburban

Harlem Renaissance

Jim Crow

Civil Rights Movement

Industrialization

Triangle Fire

Rana Plaza

Pangaea

Social Darwinism

Chief Joseph

Union

Owen’s Valley, California

Labor

Capital

Producer

Consumer

Citizen

The “Progressives”

Monopoly

Primary Source

Secondary Source

Thesis

Economy

State

Nation

Indicators

Ethnic Group

1. How should we measure the health or success of a country’s economy? What limitations arise when creating criteria?
2. Were big business leaders “captains of industry” or “robber barons?
3. Should business be regulated closely by the government?
4. Can the “white man’s conquest” of Native Americans be justified? If so how? If not, what are the ethical ramifications for those living on conquered lands?
5. How has settlement and land use of “America” changed over this country’s history?
6. How has the nature of “work” or labor changed in the world since the 1860s? How has it remained the same?
7. Mark Twain is attributed with the quote “Whiskey was for drinking! Water was for fighting!” how is this an apt quote for some of the water right issues which we have explored over the past semester?
8. Why do you think that Chief Joseph choose the course of action that he did? Do you think that he made the right decision?
9. Is America a land of opportunity for all?