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Unit 7: The Progressives

* When I say I believe in a square deal I do not mean…to give everyman the best hand. If the cards do not come to any, many, or if they do come, and he has not got the power to play them, that is his affair. All I mean is that there shall be no crookedness in the dealing.”

Teddy Roosevelt

* “The Federal government became a “foster child of the special interests, powerful to prevent the strong from crushing the week.”

Woodrow Wilson

* “Government must insure an equality of opportunity for all.. The Declaration of Independence provided political equality for Americans. It is now time for a New Freedom, a second Declaration of Independence, which will declare an equality of economic opportunity for all Americans”

…. Woodrow Wilson

* “Law in our day must come to the assistance of the individual. It must come to his assistance to see that he gets fair play; that is all and that is much. Without the watchful interference…of the government there can be no fair play between individuals and such powerful institutions as trusts. Freedom today is something more than being let alone. The program of a government of freedom must in these days be positive, not negative merely….

Woodrow Wilson, The New Freedom

1. Briefly explain the authors point of view in each of the quotes
2. Explain how the author’s point of view is a change from previous held beliefs.

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Unit 7: Progressive Presidents

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| Theodore Roosevelt  1901-1908 | William Howard Taft  1908-1912 | Woodrow Wilson  1912-1920 |
| 1. Square Deal: 2. New Nationalism 3. Aid to Labor Unions 4. Anthracite Coal Strike 1902 5. Dept. of Labor 6. Workmen’s Compensation for Federal employees 7. Railroad regulation 8. Elkins Act 9. Hepburn Act 1906 10. Trustbuster!! 11. Consumer Protection: 12. Pure Food and Drug Act 1906 13. Meat Inspection Act 1906 14. Conservation 15. Influence of John Muir 16. Dept of Interior 17. Newlands Reclamation Act | 1. Trustbuster   16th amendment   1. Problems 2. Payne-Aldrich Act 1909 3. Ballinger-Pinchot Dispute   ELECTION OF 1912  Republican Taft = 3.5 million  Bull Moose/Progressive  Teddy Roosevelt = 4.1 million  Democrat Wilson = 6.2 million | 1. New Freedom!!! 2. Underwood Tariff 3. Federal Reserve Act 1913 (must know!!!) 4. Clayton Ant-Trust Act 1914 5. Federal Trade Commission Act 1914 6. Federal Farm Loan Act 1914 7. Keating-Owen Child Labor Law 8. 17th amendment 9. 18th amendment |

Limits of Progressivism

1. IWW – International Workers of the World “Wobblies” addressed the concerns of unskilled workers.
2. Jim Crow Laws – Wilson was a segregationist and did nothing to aid in the fight against lynchings, segregation and prejudice.
3. Women Rights are ignored until World War I and the protests of Alice Paul and Lucy Stone push for the ratification of the **19th amendment** – granting women the vote.