Populist Movement Assessment

Part 1 – Multiple Choice: Choose the best answer for each question.

1. What was the main goal of the Populist Movement?
   a. To support large corporations
   b. To improve conditions for farmers and workers
   c. To increase immigration
   d. To expand overseas colonies

2. The Populist Party was also known as the:
   a. Progressive Party
   b. Whig Party
   c. People's Party
   d. Federalist Party

3. Which group strongly supported the Populist Movement?
   a. Factory owners
   b. Farmers
   c. Bankers
   d. Railroad executives

4. What economic problem hurt many farmers during the late 1800s?
   a. High crop prices
   b. Low taxes
   c. Falling crop prices and debt
   d. Too many government jobs

5. Which reform did Populists support?
   a. Gold-only money system
   b. Free silver
   c. Higher railroad rates
   d. Fewer elections

6. What did Populists want the government to regulate?
   a. Schools
   b. Newspapers
   c. Railroads
   d. Churches

7. Who was a famous Populist leader and presidential candidate?
   a. Theodore Roosevelt
   b. William Jennings Bryan
   c. Abraham Lincoln
   d. Andrew Carnegie

8. Which speech made William Jennings Bryan famous?
   a. Gettysburg Address
   b. Four Freedoms Speech
   c. Cross of Gold Speech
   d. Farewell Address

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9. The Populist Movement began mainly in which area of the United States?
   a. Northeast
   b. West and South
   c. New England
   d. Pacific Coast cities

10. Which of the following was a Populist reform idea?
   a. Direct election of senators
   b. Ending public schools
   c. Limiting voting rights
   d. Increasing tariffs on farmers

Part 2 – Fill-in-the-Blank

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farmers	speech	silver	Bryan	railroads
workers	People's Party	debt	senators	reform

1. The Populist Movement mainly represented the interests of _____ and laborers.

2. Another name for the Populist Party was the _____.

3. Many farmers struggled with heavy _____ during the late 1800s.

4. Populists supported the unlimited coinage of _____.

5. The Populists wanted the government to regulate _____.

6. William Jennings _____ became a famous Populist leader.

7. The "Cross of Gold" _____ helped Bryan gain national attention.

8. Populists supported the direct election of _____.

9. The Populist Movement called for economic and political _____.

10. Factory _____ also supported some Populist ideas.

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