

Quiz - Populism in the 1900s

Part I – Matching: Match each term with the correct description.

Column A

1. William Jennings Bryan
2. Free Silver
3. People's Party
4. Cross of Gold Speech
5. Populists

Column B

- a. Another name for the Populist Party
 - b. Famous speech supporting silver currency
 - c. Wanted more money in circulation
 - d. Farmers and workers who wanted reform
 - e. Populist leader and presidential candidate
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Part II – Multiple Choice

Choose the best answer for each question.

1. The Populist Movement mainly tried to help:
 - a. Big business owners
 - b. Farmers and workers
 - c. Railroad executives
 - d. Wealthy bankers
2. What was another name for the Populist Party?
 - a. Democratic Party
 - b. Republican Party
 - c. People's Party
 - d. Progressive Party
3. Why did many farmers support Populism?
 - a. They wanted higher railroad shipping costs
 - b. They faced debt and low crop prices
 - c. They wanted fewer voting rights
 - d. They opposed all government reforms
4. Which economic policy did Populists support?
 - a. Free silver
 - b. Gold-only currency
 - c. Higher bank fees
 - d. Lower wages

5. Which industry did Populists want the government to regulate?
 - a. Entertainment
 - b. Railroad industry
 - c. Sports industry
 - d. Movie industry
 6. William Jennings Bryan became famous for his:
 - a. Emancipation Speech
 - b. Cross of Gold Speech
 - c. New Deal Speech
 - d. Iron Curtain Speech
 7. The Populist Movement was strongest in the:
 - a. Northeast
 - b. Southern and Western farming regions
 - c. New England factories
 - d. Large coastal cities
 8. Populists supported the direct election of:
 - a. Governors
 - b. Senators
 - c. Mayors
 - d. Judges
 9. What was one goal of the Populist Movement?
 - a. Reducing citizen participation in government
 - b. Increasing political reforms
 - c. Ending public education
 - d. Expanding monopolies
 10. Which group often joined farmers in supporting Populist ideas?
 - a. Factory workers
 - b. Railroad owners
 - c. Millionaires
 - d. Bank presidents
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