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Immigration: The American Experience, Dream and Melting Pot Note Taking Handout

What affects did the Industrial Revolution have on workers?

What contributions did the steam engine have to immigration?

Where did new immigrants tend to settle?

Why do you think immigrant groups wanted to participate in politics?

What do you thing the American Dream was?

Why did America offer unique opportunities to poor immigrants?

Why did immigrants tend to settle in communities, called ghettos?

Why was America the great hope of immigrants?

In what ways did America represent the greatest vision for humans ever?

What does “the following quote mean?

“...America is God’s Crucible, the great melting Pot where all the races of Europe are melting and reforming...into the Crucible with you all! God is making an American.”

What does assimilation mean?

Why were some immigrants welcomed and others not?

Aside from the Native Americans, all Americans are immigrants. Discuss whether distrust and prejudice are cultural qualities they brought to America with them?

No other country in the world has such a blend of ethnicities and cultures. America is the world economic leader and is the most successful democratic republic in the world. The poor in America would be rich in all third world countries. However, America also has one of the highest crime rates. What do you think are the reasons for our high crime rate? Can you think of any solutions?
