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**Study Guide: Mid-Term Exam**

**Exam format:**

The exam will focus on our current unit based around the question “To what extent is the government responsible for the well-being of its citizens?” The main goal of the exam will be for you to show how the topics we’ve studied tie into the central debate created by our unit question. The exam will consist of **seven** “short answer” writing prompts (they may consist of multi-part questions) that should be answered in one or two paragraphs. You will **answer** **five** of them, and each of your responses is worth up to 20 points. Your score will be based on your ability to show your understanding of the topic and support your ideas with historical examples.

**Topics we’ve covered within this unit (so far…the unit is not over):**

* **Role of government today**
  + Great Recession
  + Economic Inequality
  + Currently debated issues:
    - Minimum wage
    - Welfare eligibility
    - Food stamps
* **Gilded Age/Progressive Era**
  + Industrialization/growth of industry
  + Social Darwinism/laissez-faire
  + Working conditions in the Gilded Age/muckrakers
  + Labor movement
  + Progressive Era reforms
* **Great Depression/New Deal**
  + Roaring ‘20’s
  + Stock market crash
  + Effects of the Great Depression
  + Herbert Hoover/”Rugged Individualism”
  + Election of 1932
  + Franklin Roosevelt
  + The New Deal
    - Programs
    - Impact
    - Opinions about it

**How to prepare:**

* Look over old notes/assignments/study guides/quizzes
* Try to make connections between the specific content and the big theme of the unit
  + Predict writing prompts on the exam?
* Prepare a **ONE PAGE STUDY GUIDE** that you can use during the exam. It can be hand-written or typed (but must be printed for the exam), and it can be double-sided. It must be a study guide that **YOU CREATE**.