### Why was the U.S. known as a

"Melting Pot"?

Land of immigrants where cultures blended together

### Define Cultural Diversity

Many different cultures

#### Define

#### **Cultural Pluralism**

Different cultures
blending BUT people
keeping part of their own
culture

### Where did most of the "New Immigrants" settle

Cities in the Northeast

# During the Colonial Era of immigration, what were two groups that came here?

Puritans and Quakers

### Why did these groups come to America?

#### Religious Freedom

What were two hardships that these groups faced when they got here? Harsh elements, had to clear land to farm and often trouble with Indians

### What were the Immigrants called that came here between 1800 and 1880? "Old Immigrants"

### Why did the Old Immigrants come to the U.S.?

Mainly for economic reasons = jobs

What was the immigration policy called during the 1800's?

Open immigration - everyone can come in

## What part of Europe were the Old Immigrants from?

Northern and Western Europe countries such as...

England, Ireland & France

How did the U.S. factory owners feel about the immigrants coming into the country?

They supported it because Cheap source of labor

# What were two other reasons that the Irish immigrants came here?

- 1. Disliked British rule in Northern Ireland
- 2. Potato famine many people starving

### What were the immigrants called that came after 1880 to 1920?

"New Immigrants"

## What part of Europe were the new immigrants from?

Southern and Eastern
Europe such as...
Italy & southern Germany

#### **Define Nativism?**

#### Anti-foreigner feeling

## What two groups opposed the New Immigrants?

"Natives" (ancestors during Colonial Era) and Old Immigrants

What were two reasons why the New Immigrants were not welocme Different culture and economic reasons

## What were two specific cultural differences that caused problems?

### Different language and religion (Catholics)

## What were two specific economic factors that caused problems?

New immigrants took jobs and worked for lower wages

Why did antiimmigrant feelings increase during economic hard times? Poor economy led to layoffs and fewer jobs

#### **Define Assimilate**

### Blending into society and adopting the culture

#### What was the first antiimmigrant act?

### Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882

### People from what state were most concerned about these immigrants?

California

### What was another antiimmigration act of the early 1900's?

Gentlemen's Agreement

## What was the major anti-immigration act following World War I?

#### National Origins Quota Act (1920s)

### What is the name of the anti-foreigner feeling that led to these acts? Nativism

# What part of Europe was targeted by the National Origins Quota Act?

Southern and Eastern Europe..

Countries such as....

Italy and southern Germany

### What anti-black, anti-Catholic and antiforeigner group gained power during the 1920's?

Ku Klux Klan

What is the name of the anti-foreigner feeling that led to Ku Klux Klan gaining power?

Nativism

### When did the National Origins Quota Act end?

1960's... Why did it end?
Because it was basically discrimination

# Recent immigrants (those since World War II) come mainly from...

Latin America and Asia

How is it harder for modern immigrants than for the earlier immigrants? Fewer good paying unskilled jobs available today

Changes in immigration policy: What was the name of our first immigration policy.

Open immigration

### Why was this policy in effect for so long?

Need for unskilled labor

#### What was the first antiimmigration act?

#### Chinese Exclusion Act

#### What was the name of the policy that slowed immigration in the early 1900's

### Quota Act or National Origins Act

## Why did they change the policy?

#### It was basically discrimination

#### Why did we have a policy of open immigration for so long?

U.S. factories needed a cheap source of labor

### Why was open immigration changed?

1. Afraid new immigrants were changing culture

language and religiontaking jobs and workingfor less money

# When was the policy of Open Immigration finally ended?

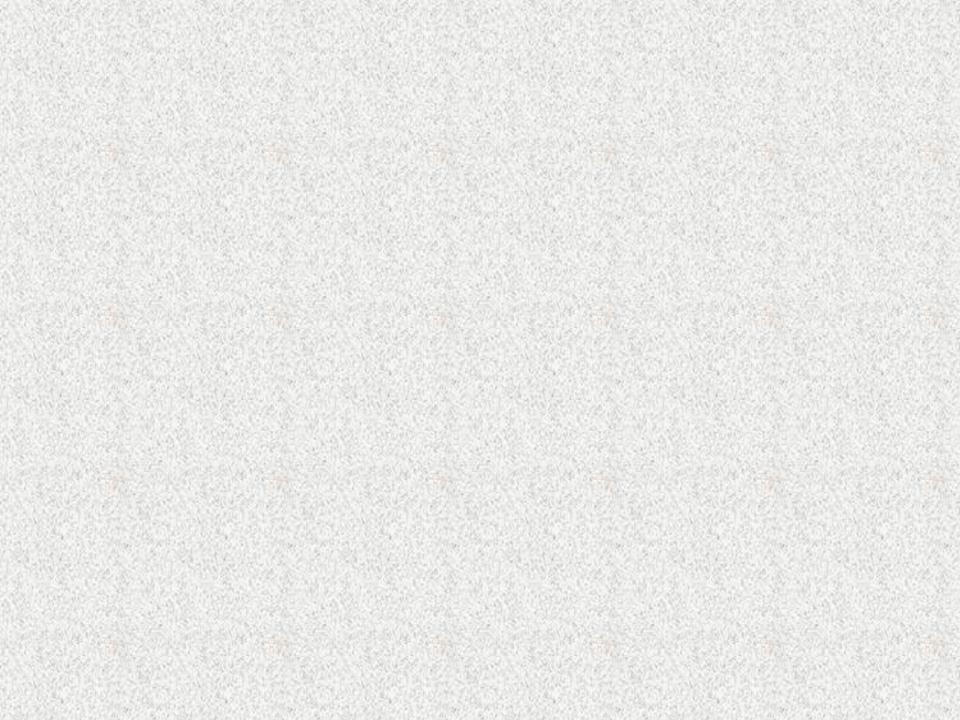
#### 1920's or following World War II

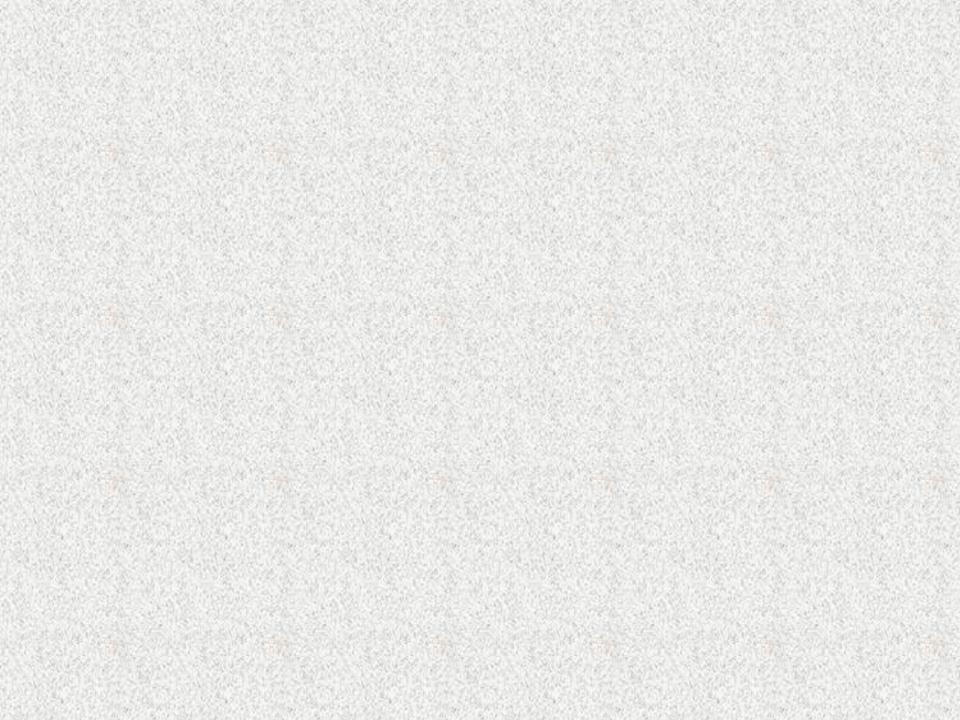
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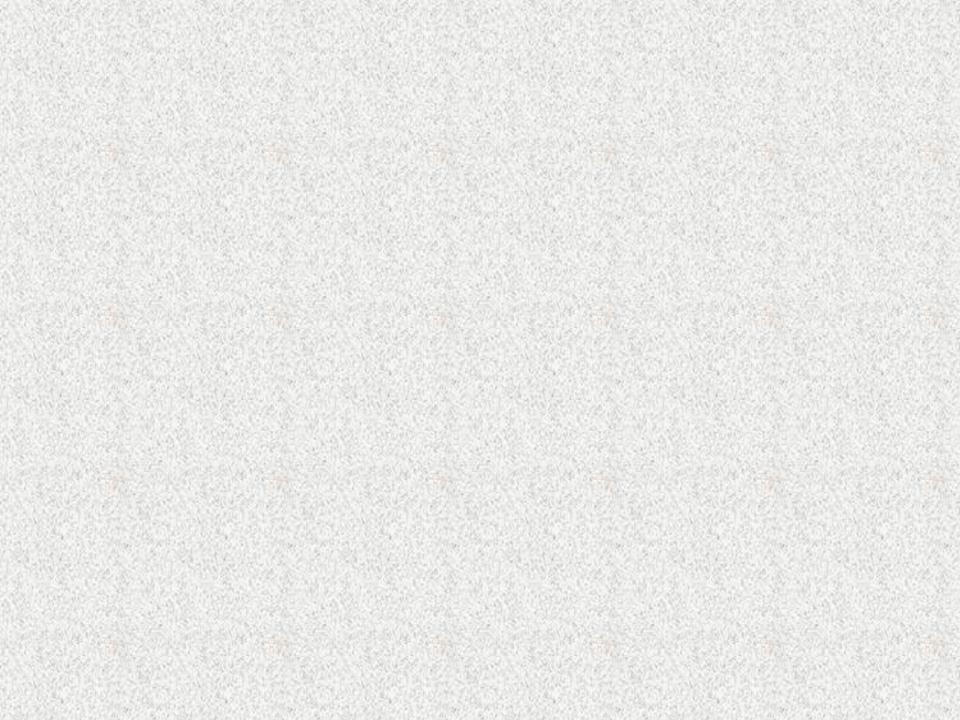
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