

**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 anti-immigrant 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 anti-immigrant act?

**Chinese Exclusion Act of
1882**

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

California

What was another anti-immigration 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 anti-foreigner 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 anti-immigration 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 religion**
- 2. taking jobs and working for less money**

**When was the policy of
Open Immigration
finally ended?**

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

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

**Quota Act or National
Origins Act**

The

End

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