Progressive Movement WebQuest Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Links found at* ***www.mrjunko.weebly.com/progressive-webquest.html***

**Task 1: Watch the Defining Progressives video and answer the following**

1. How does historian Eric Rauchway define Progressivism on the political spectrum?
2. Why do people have such a hard time defining what the Progressive movement is all about?

**Task 2: Defining Progressivism**

Visit <http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/modules/progressivism/index.cfm> and complete the following:

1. List the ways in which progressives wanted to change people’s lives at the local, state, and national level:
2. What constitutional amendments were the progressives able to pass during the early 20th century?

**Task 3: Individuals of the Progressive Movement Video**

**Watch Task 3 video and answer the following:**

What is the name given to the journalist of the progressive movement?

Why were they given this name?

What issues did the following muckrakers expose?

Upton Sinclair:

Lincoln Steffens:

What type of government system did the city of Galveston employ after their city was wiped out by a tidal wave?

How many other cities adopted this form of government?

Why did city governments change their form of government? What were they trying to eliminate?

Explain the following voter reforms:

Secret Ballot:

Initiative:

Recall:

Direct Primary:

What is the 17th amendment to the constitution?

**Task 4: Visit** [**http://americanhistory.abc-clio.com/**](http://americanhistory.abc-clio.com/) **and use the username and password: mtlebanonhs**

***Search for the following progressive reformers in the ABC-CLIO database and answer the corresponding questions:***

**Jacob Riis**

1. How did Jacob Riis expose life in the slums of New York?
2. Why was Riis so empathetic towards the poor?
3. How did Riis accidentally set himself on fire?
4. What was the name of his most famous work?
5. What future president did Riis form an important relationship with?
6. How did Riis help children later in his life?

**Jane Addams**

1. What was the name of the first settlement house established by Jane Addams? What city?
2. What type of instruction did Jane Addams provide at the settlement house?
3. In what other areas did Jane Addams campaign for progressive change?

**Ida Tarbell**

1. What company did Ida Tarbell work to expose as a muckraker? Who was the CEO of this company?
2. What inspired Ida Tarbell to investigate this company?
3. What impact did her articles have on the country?

**Robert La Follette**

1. How did La Follette become the Governor of Wisconsin?
2. List the reforms that he put in place while Governor?
3. What were some of the issues that La Follette fought against while a Senator?

**Teddy Roosevelt**

1. How did Roosevelt get the reputation as a Trust Buster?
2. What other progressive reforms did Roosevelt accomplish in his first term?

**Watch Task 4A video on Jacob Riis and answer the following:**

1. Describe the living conditions in the lower East Side at the turn of the century:
2. How did Jacob Riis first show the wealthy the conditions of the poor in New York?
3. How many copies did his book sell?
4. What changes were made as a result of Riis’ work?

**Task 5: Watch the video “African Americans during the Progressive Era” and answer the following:**

1. What percentage of African Americans lived below the poverty line in the South?
2. What was the name given to the set of laws that kept blacks from achieving equality with whites?
3. Who was the most prominent black leader of the progressive era? What did he believe was the best way for blacks to better their lives in America?
4. What black leader called for full social equality for blacks?