



BUILDING VOCABULARY

Life at the Turn of the 20th Century

A. Matching Match the characterization in the second column with the correct person in the first column. Write the appropriate letter next to the word.

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| _____ 1. Wright Brothers | a. fought to end lynching |
| _____ 2. W. E. B. Du Bois | b. introduced first mass-produced camera |
| _____ 3. Joseph Pulitzer | c. American novelist and humorist |
| _____ 4. Louis Sullivan | d. originated planned urban parks |
| _____ 5. George Eastman | e. developed first airplane |
| _____ 6. Frederick Law Olmsted | f. designed nation's first skyscraper |
| _____ 7. Mark Twain | g. demanded immediate equality for blacks |
| _____ 8. Ida B. Wells | h. pioneered several newspaper innovations |

B. Completion Select the term or name that best completes the sentence.

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| Niagra Movement | poll tax | William Randolph Hearst |
| Daniel Burnham | grandfather clause | debt peonage |
| Ashcan School | rural free delivery | Booker T. Washington |

- _____ encouraged African Americans to fight racism by proving their economic value to society.
- The _____ was an effort to encourage blacks to seek a liberal arts education in order to provide the African American community with well-educated leaders.
- The _____, or an annual tax that had to be paid in order to vote, was an effort to discourage African Americans from voting.
- The owner of the New York Morning Journal, _____ sought to lure readers with exaggerated stories.
- Introduced by the Post Office in 1896, the _____ system brought packages directly to every home.

C. Writing Write a paragraph describing the plight of African Americans at the turn of the century using the following terms.

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| Jim Crow laws | segregation | <i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i> |
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