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## Comprehension Check #2

6. Which of the following is NOT a cause of rapid urbanization during the Gilded Age?
- A** The increase in population due to immigration
  - B** The decline of profitability of agricultural industries
  - C** The demand for inexpensive and accessible laborers
  - D** The availability of transcontinental travel on railroads
7. What is the primary reason why political machines became influential in the Gilded Age?
- A** Urbanization outpaced the growth of government.
  - B** Governments were incapable of meeting the safety needs of citizens.
  - C** Urbanization provided opportunities for immigrants to govern themselves.
  - D** Competing immigrant groups controlled governments.
8. Which of the following is NOT an effect of nativism?
- A** Immigration taxes
  - B** Chinese Exclusion Act
  - C** Social Darwinism
  - D** Economies of scale
9. Which of the following is NOT true of the spoils system?
- A** Someone who defended the spoils system assassinated President Garfield.
  - B** It was commonly used at various levels of government.
  - C** President Hayes pushed for reforms without support from members of his own party.
  - D** It guaranteed that the most qualified workers would fill government jobs.
10. How did monopolies threaten the free-enterprise system?
- A** By producing economies of scale and lowering prices
  - B** By lobbying to increase foreign trade
  - C** By eliminating competition through consolidation and price fixing
  - D** By discouraging the formation of unions