**1920ʼs AMERICA**

**UNIT OUTCOMES:**

1. Transition America

2. Intolerance

3. Presidential Leadership

**UNIT OUTLINE**

**I. TRANSITIONS**

**A. *War to Peace***

1. Isolationism

2. Roaring Twenties

a. sports

b. music & entertainment

c. prohibition

3. Intolerance (views outside the norm were not accepted)

**B. *Rural to Urban*** (Urbanization)

1. Impact of the automobile (from novelty to necessity)

2. Differing Values led to Conflict - Conservative --> rural **vs.** Liberal --> urban

(Culture Clash)

**C. *Credit Economy***

1. Material abundance *+* excessive advertising

2. Installment buying

3. Stock Market Rage (speculating) - buying on margin

**D. *Women*** (Period of liberation)

**II. INTOLERANCE**

**A. *Red Scare*** - fear of communism

**B. *Immigrants*** - fear of foreigners & their ideas

**C. *Prohibition Period*** - Volstead Act, The Nobel Experiment

**D. *Election of 1928***

**E. *KKK resurgence***

**F. *Evolutionary Theory***

**III. PRESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP** (Republican Era)

**A.** Warren G. Harding - *“Return to Normalcy”*

**B.** Calvin Coolidge - *“ The Business of America is Business”*

**C.** Herbert Hoover - *“Rugged Individualism”*

**REQUIRED READING:** The Americans --> **Chpt. 12** and **Chpt. 13**

**KEY TERMS:**

1. Anarchy (ist)
2. Bootlegger
3. Conservative
4. Corruption
5. Flapper
6. Fundamentalism
7. Installment Plan
8. Intolerant
9. Ku Klux Klan
10. Liberal
11. Prohibition
12. Quota
13. Red
14. Rural
15. Speakeasy
16. Urbanize (ation)
17. Xenophobia
18. Wet vs. Dry

**KEY PEOPLE / GROUPS:**

1. Nicola Sacco & Bartolomeo Vanzetti
2. Alfred E. Smith
3. Warren G. Harding
4. Herbert Hoover
5. The Ohio Gang
6. Albert B. Fall
7. John T. Scopes
8. George Herman Ruth
9. Williams Jennings Bryan
10. Clarence Darrow
11. Ku Klux Klan
12. Al Capone
13. A. Mitchell Palmer
14. Charles Lindbergh
15. Calvin Coolidge
16. Henry Ford

**KEY CONCEPTS / EVENTS:**

1. Normalcy
2. Isolationism
3. Jazz Age
4. Credit Economy
5. Monkey Trial
6. Stock Market
7. Immigration Laws
8. Buying on Margin
9. Communism
10. Red Scare & Palmer Raids
11. Teapot Dome Scandal
12. Theory of Evolution
13. Fundamentalism
14. KDKA
15. Harlem Renaissance

**CONSTRUCTIVE RESPONSE QUESTIONS:**

1. Describe two *“societal changes”* that occurred during the 1920ʼs? What was the impact of each?

2. Using specific examples, explain the difference between a liberal and a conservative.

3. Why is the decade of the 1920ʼs often referred to as a *“Period of Intolerance”* in American history?

4. Describe the events surrounding the “Monkey Trial:”

5. Comparing the three Presidents of the 1920ʼs, which was the best leader and for what reasons