

Gilded Age Play Project

Today and for the next couple of days in class you will be working on a Gilded Age play project. The Gilded Age was a time of political corruption in the United States and you will be creating a play over it. You will be selecting a topic from the list below that covers chapter 17. You will work in groups of 3 for this project and you will be responsible for creating a 4 page/4 minute play. The rubric for this assignment is on my website. Be creative and provide solid information at the same time, good luck!

- **Requirements:**

- Vocabulary Words (Bold Words, Ch.17)
- Issues/Problems discussed
- Public Reaction
- People Involved
- Outcome
- 4 minutes/4 pages

- **Topics:**

- The Rise of the Political Machine
- Immigrants and Political Machines
- Graft and Corruption
- Scandal in the White House (Grant's 1st Term, Election of 1872)
- Scandal in the White House (Grant's 2nd Term, Politics of Gilded Age)
- The Struggle for Reform
- Advances and Setbacks
- The Farmers' Plight
- Farmers Organize
- A Decade of Populist Politics
- The Election of 1896