**The Robber Barons Webquest**

[Robber Barons READING](http://www.american-historama.org/1866-1881-reconstruction-era/robber-barons.htm)

1. What is the definition of a “Robber Baron?
2. What is the difference between a “Robber Baron” and a ‘Captain of Industry”?
3. What were three negative things the Robber Barons did to increase their power and eliminate competition?

[Cornelius Vanderbilt](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H9Gq-eKO6SQ)

1. Why was Vanderbilt fortunate to be born in New York City?
2. What was Vanderbilt’s greatest strength?
3. What did Vanderbilt do in 1869?
4. What are two things that are special about Vanderbilt’s Grand Central Station?

Andrew Carnegie

1. Where was Andrew Carnegie from?
2. Why was Andrew Carnegie in Sheffield, England in 1972?
3. What were the benefits of the “Bessemer Process?
4. How large was Carnegie’s new steel mill?
5. What effect did Andrew Carnegie’s ability to mass produce steel have on the economy?

[Andrew Carnegie and the Homestead Strike READING AND VIDEO](https://www.history.com/topics/industrial-revolution/homestead-strike)

1. How many Steel Mills were there in Pittsburgh?
2. What was the standard work week in the Steel Mills? How much did workers make per week?
3. Who was Henry Frick and what were his views on Unions and Labor?
4. What happened on June 29, 1892?
5. From the reading: How did Carnegie and Frick deal with the striking workers?
6. From the reading: What happened on July 12th , 1892?

[John D. Rockefeller](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rv9AcwHHUCw)

1. What was Rockefeller’s mother like?
2. What part of the oil industry did Rockefeller focus on early in his career?
3. How did Rockefeller deal with the Railroads?
4. How did the invention of the automobile change Rockefeller’s business?
5. What did Rockefeller do in 1897?
6. How much would Rockefeller be worth if he were alive today?

[Theodore Roosevelt vs. J.P. Morgan](https://www.history.com/topics/us-presidents/theodore-roosevelt)

1. What did President Theodore Roosevelt feel was America’s greatest evil?
2. What did President Roosevelt do 5 months into office?
3. What was it that President wanted to remind the Monopoly owners?
4. Why did President Roosevelt force an end to the Coal Strike in 1902?