



Essay Question #1

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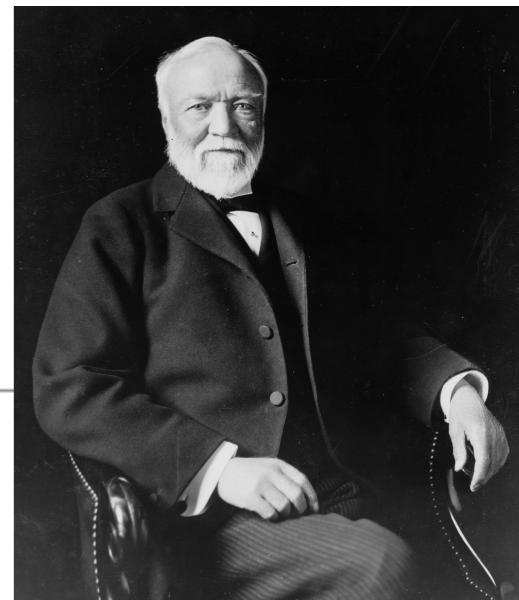
Compare and contrast the attitudes of THREE of the following toward the wealth that was created in the United States during the late nineteenth century.

Andrew Carnegie, Eugene V. Debs, Horatio Alger,
Booker T. Washington, Ida M. Tarbell

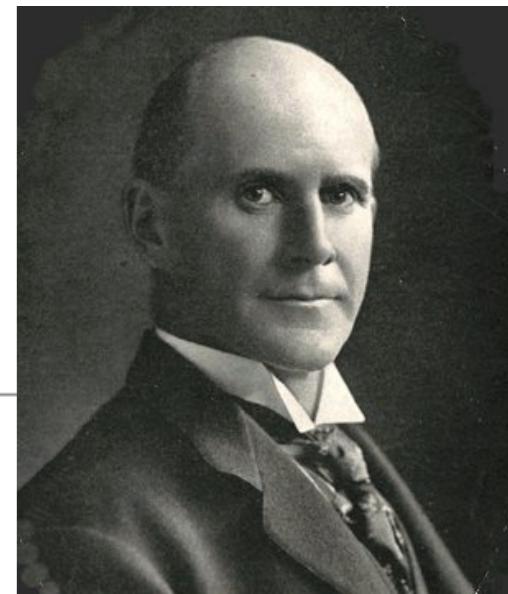
- The attitudes of Andrew Carnegie, Eugene V. Debs, and Booker T. Washington towards wealth were different from each other during the late nineteenth century.

Andrew Carnegie

- Carnegie believed that people who died wealthy were a disgrace
- Wrote at the age of 33 that the amassing of money was the worse forms of idolatry.
- Andrew Carnegie believed the rich had a duty to give back to the world.
- Believed that the rich needed to use their money to help enrich society and not worship it as a false god.
- Believed in Vertical integration. Used this tactic in his steel industry.

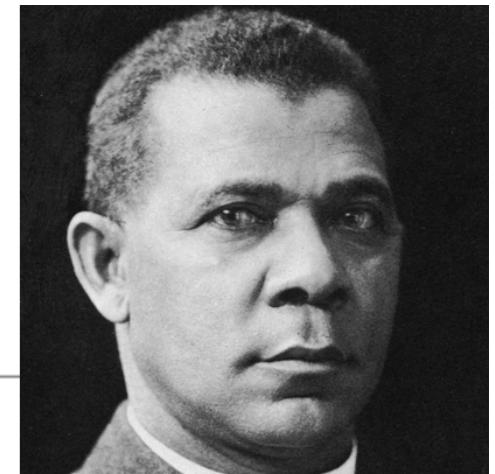


Eugene V. Debs



- Eugene V. Debs is called the father of American socialism.
- American socialism based their beliefs off the writings of Karl Marx.
- He was an American union leader.
- Debs was instrumental in the founding of the American Railway Union, one of the nation's first industrial unions.
- Eugene V. Debs had a vehement opposition to the capitalist system and believed that everyone should be an equal, economically as well as politically.
- Asked why so many workers should have so little while a few owners grew incredibly wealthy

Booker T. Washington



- Booker T. Washington was an African-American teacher, author, and advisor to Republican presidents who lived during the era of Jim Crow Segregation.
- He believed that true wealth continues from generation to generation, a foundation of earning and investing and saving established with its beginnings at the bottom.
- Washington believed that in order to create a strong and successful nation everyone must realize that even the most tedious and unfair jobs will leave a future for the nation's posterity.