# Mississippi Sample Questions United States History: 1887 to Present

- 1. This is a list of demands included in the platform of a political party formed in 1892.
  - free and unlimited coinage of silver
  - graduated income tax
  - government regulation of railroads
  - direct election of senators

#### Which individual was most likely to oppose this political party?

- **A** factory worker
- **B** farmer
- **C** immigrant
- **D** industrial leader

2. This is an excerpt from a speech given by President Teddy Roosevelt in 1908.

We have become great because of the lavish use of our resources. But the time has come to inquire seriously what will happen when our forests are gone, when the coal, the iron, the oil, and the gas are exhausted, when the soils have still further impoverished and washed into the streams, polluting rivers, denuding the fields and obstructing navigation.

#### What action did President Roosevelt take to address the concerns in this excerpt?

- A raising tariffs on imported lumber and other natural resources
- **B** designating 150 million acres of land as national forests and parks
- **C** breaking up monopolies and enforcing antitrust laws
- **D** regulating the use of natural resources by the food and drug industry

#### 3. This cartoon, drawn by Winsor McCay, was published in 1920.



### Whose viewpoint is reflected in this cartoon?

- **A** European leaders
- **B** Progressive reformers
- **C** Republican senators
- **D** Woodrow Wilson

## 4. Which foreign policy action is an example of the United States' use of the theory of containment?

- **A** adopting the Truman Doctrine
- **B** granting diplomatic recognition to China
- **C** joining the World Trade Organization (WTO)
- **D** getting involved in the Iraq War