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Progressive Headlines Answer Key

1. "President Roosevelt Takes on Big **Trusts**!"
Event/Reform: Trust-busting / Theodore Roosevelt vs. monopolies
2. "Women Win the Right to **Vote** Nationwide!"
Event/Reform: 19th Amendment / Women's suffrage
3. "Meat Factories Face New **Safety** Inspections!"
Event/Reform: Meat Inspection Act
4. "**Muckraker** Exposes Oil Industry's Secret Deals!"
Event/Reform: Ida Tarbell / Standard Oil investigation
5. "Senators Now Chosen by the **People**!"
Event/Reform: 17th Amendment / Direct election of senators
6. "New Law Protects Americans from Unsafe **Food** & Drugs!"
Event/Reform: Pure Food and Drug Act

Reflection should show why the reform mattered (e.g., safety, fairness, democracy, consumer protection).

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Using context clues to connect headlines to Progressive Era reforms; reinforcing vocabulary and event recognition.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Provide a short word bank for students who may struggle with specific terminology.
 - Allow bilingual students to explain the reform in their home language before writing in English.
- **Engagement Strategies:**
 - Create a "newsroom" vibe: have students design a small newspaper front page featuring one headline with an illustration.
 - Peer share: students compare their answers and justify their reasoning using historical clues.
- **Extension Ideas:**
 - Students write a new headline about a reform not listed (e.g., child labor laws, conservation efforts).
 - Compare historic headlines to modern news about activism, regulation, or voting rights.