

Name _____

Everyday Reforms Answer Key

Answers will vary. A strong response should include:

- Clear identification of **one** specific Progressive Era reform
- At least **two** historically accurate reasons supporting the choice
- Evidence of understanding how the reform affected ordinary Americans

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Summarizing learning; evaluating historical significance; persuasive writing with evidence.
- **Engagement Strategies:**
 - Pair-share first: students talk through their ideas before writing (builds confidence and clarity).
 - Use quick voting afterward to see which reform the class selected as most impactful.
- **Extension Ideas:**
 - Students write a second short paragraph from the perspective of someone affected by the reform.
 - Connect to today: Which current reform movement might people consider most important 100 years from now?