IMMIGRATION AND URBANIZATION
INFLUX OF IMMIGRANTS

- “New” immigrants
  - South + Eastern Europe
  - Asia

- Ellis Island → NYC → where immigrants come

Reasons to leave their countries (push factors)
- disease
- famine
- economic hardship
- religious persecution
- gov't
- poverty

Reasons to come to America (pull factors)
- Better jobs
- American dream
- Freedom
- Land
- modern technology
- family

Chinatown
LIVING CONDITIONS

- Changes brought by the 2nd Industrial Revolution
  - Cities urbanize → get bigger
    → more ppl come for work
  - Factories/industry located in the city
  - Sanitation, pollution, noisy, congestion

- Conditions in the Cities
  - Slums
    - Neighborhoods where the poor lived
      - run down, garbage, tenements, crime
  - Tenements
    - apartment building, overcrowded, dark
    - not fresh air, unsanitary
  - Lack of Sanitation

- Dumbell tenements fresh air shaft
IMMIGRANT LIFE IN AMERICA

- Labor
  - factory → dangerous, dirty, low pay

- Discrimination

- Social Darwinism
  - survival of the fittest → white, rich ppl

- Nativism
  - against immigrants
    (Know-Nothings, American Party)

- Assimilation v Cultural Preservation
  - lose culture and become American
  - keep culture (neighborhood, church)