US HISTORY

CHAPTER 6.1 READING

**Directions: Use pages 230 – 233 in order to complete the following questions. (Worth 15 Points)**

**Natural Resources Fuel Industrialization:**

1. What were three reasons why America became the leading industrial power in the world?

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2. What was black gold?

3. What natural resources were abundant in America?

4. How did you get steel from iron?

5. What was injected into molten iron to get out the impurities?

6. Who became the biggest customer of steel?

7. What bridge became the second tallest structure on the planet in 1883? What was the first?

8. Before steel, why were buildings limited in size?

**Inventions Promote Change:**

9. What did Thomas Edison perfect in 1880?

10. Who helped make energy safer and less expensive?

11. What did electricity allow manufacturers to do?

12. What invention changed the world of work?

13. Who entered the workforce in large numbers as a result of the telephone and typewriter?

14. What factory job was done mainly by women?

15. How much had the average workweek been reduced by 1890?