

Video-Discussion Questions

"Time Machine: The Age of Optimism"

1. According to the video, the years from 1900 to 1910 were known as the "age of optimism." Using context clues, what do you think *optimism* means? What evidence is given to support the claim that people were generally optimistic?
2. The narrator says, "Diseases were a constant worry." Why might that have been?
3. Using context clues, define *suffragette*.
4. Think about how the music, visuals, and narration work together to create mood. How does the mood of the section about the factory workers compare with the mood of the rest of the video?