

Woodrow Wilson's Fourteen Points

Discussion Questions:

1. What was the goal of Woodrow Wilson's Fourteen Points?
Wilson's main goal was to establish a peace plan for Europe.
2. How did progressivism influence Wilson's speech?
Wilson was convinced progressive policies were responsible for positive domestic reforms in the United States. Wilson believed these principles could be applied to foreign policy.
3. How would freedom of the seas benefit Europe?
Freedom of the seas would make trade easier and boost European economies.
4. What was the Russian policy in Wilson's Fourteen Points?
Wilson did not want other nations to interfere with Russia's government.
5. What international organization did Wilson seek to establish?
He sought to establish a League of Nations
6. What were early criticisms of the Fourteen Points?
Some critics stated that revealing the Fourteen Points was just Wilson's method to improve morale in the army, to help the Allied Forces push to victory, and to speed the surrender of the Central Powers.
7. Why were England and France opposed to the Fourteen Points?
England and France opposed the Fourteen Points because they disagreed on freedom of the seas and war reparations, respectively.
8. Why did the United States Senate oppose the League of Nations?
The Senate opposed the League of Nations because of the possibility America would be obligated to fight in foreign wars.