

United States History and Government  
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Mary Antin, *The Promised Land* (1912)

After reading the entire selection, on separate paper, answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. From where did Mary Antin emigrate?
2. What was a “Pale” settlement?
3. What is a “pogrom”?
4. Why didn’t Mary’s family ever think of “storing coal in the bathtub”?
5. Why were American streets different than streets in the old country?
6. What was the “essence of America opportunity” and why was it different than in the old country?
7. In America, what was “surer, safer than bread or shelter”?
8. What made the schools in Boston “free”?
9. What was the “dazzling beautiful palace” Mary discovered?
10. How could you identify a “greenhorn”?
11. What was the one disappointment for Mary?
12. Who lived on “Arlington Street”?
13. How were “Strictly Cash” and “empty purses” related?
14. What were “Annie’s” “talent[s] and “tact” for “business”?
15. What was Mary referring to in her phrase: “stung by the wasp of family trouble” and “healing ointment”?