

AP United States History

More Reform Movements

- Horace Mann (1796-1859)
 - Considered the father of American education
 - "Children were clay in the hands of teachers and school officials"
 - Discouraged Corporal Punishment
 - Established state teacher-training programs, public school now mandatory
- Sojourner Truth
 - African-American abolitionist and women's rights activist
 - Unlike many female women's rights advocates who focused on politics + rights of middle class women
 - Sojourner Truth also spoke about economic equality and focused on lower class women as well
- Age of Reform
 - Increasing numbers of Americans, many inspired by religious + intellectual movements
 - Worked primarily outside of government institutions to advance ideals
 - Americans formed new voluntary organizations outside of government
 - Change individual behaviors and improve society through temperance + other reforms
- Temperance — Started in 1826 by protestant women + factory owners
 - Attempted to reduce alcohol consumption
 - Critics called this movement anti-Catholic and xenophobic (against Irish + Germans)