## 1920s Essay Body Paragraph 1

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In the 1920s, the government did little in order to protect African-Americans. First, progressive reforms made before the outbreak of the war did not affect African-Americans. By ignoring the African-American populace, the government isolated this group and which lead to further oppression. Also, progressive reforms were meant to protect workers' rights, however, the government's intentional ignorance of African-American working condition laid the foundation for the further humiliation and oppression of African-Americans. Second, African-Americans were robbed of the right to vote. Without this, African-Americans were not able to participate in democracy and create change that improved their living condition, and protected them from racist laws and leaders. Third, African-Americans were offered little education from the government. This lack of education caused the public to view African-Americans as unintelligent and their rights were not taken seriously. The lack of government protection lead to the hatred of African-Americans and the continuation of traditional oppression.