**1a. In “I Hear America Singing,” what occupations does Whitman attribute to Americans?** The occupations that Whitman attributes to Americans are a carpenter, a mason, a boatman, a shoemaker, a hatter, a wood-cutter, home wife and ploughboy.

**1b. What does this catalog of occupations suggest about his vision of America?** His catalog of occupations suggest that his vision of America is full of opportunities and prosperity for those living in America.

**2a. What does Whitman describe the laborers doing at night?** At night, Whitman describes the laborers singing.

**2b. Why do you think the poem ends as it does?** I think the poem ends as it does since Whitman wants to have the reader have the image of America being the place of celebration and happiness. He wants to leave off with an image of the workers singing.