**APUSH ERAS TIMELINE**

As you know, most of the essay prompts on your exam will give you time periods to consider. In order to write an essay that answers the prompt, you must know the eras referred to by the prompt. Most prompts will NOT tell it’s talking about the Gilded Age or imperialism era, but instead just give you a range of years. Below are the common eras and the range of years commonly associated with them.

**Pre-Revolutionary**: 1754-1776

**Revolutionary Era**: 1775-1781

**Constitutional Era**: 1778-1800

**Jeffersonian Democracy and 1st Industrial Revolution**: 1800-1820

**Era of Good Feelings**: 1816-1824

**Jacksonian Revolution**: 1824-1840

**Antebellum Era (sectional tensions)**: 1830-1861 (include 1820 Missouri Compromise!)

**Manifest Destiny and Westward Movement**: 1840-1860

**Civil War**: 1861-1865

**Reconstruction**: 1865-1877

**Gilded Age (2nd Indust. Revol)**: 1865-1900

**Progressive Era**: 1890-1914 (to include later 18th and 19th Amendments)

**Imperialism**: 1898-1905 (include Hawaii in 1880s, though)

**World War I**: 1917-1919 (US involvement)

**Great Depression/New Deal**: 1929-1941

**World War 2**: 1941-1945

**Early Cold War (Truman thru Eisenhower)**: 1945-1960

**Vietnam Era**: 1963-1975

**Nixon Era**: 1968-1975

**Civil Rights Movement (African American)**: 1954-1968 (Brown v. Board to MLK assassination)

**Hispanic/Women’s Rights Movements**: 1960s to 1975