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Analyzing Attitudes Through Political Cartoons

**Directions:** Carefully examine the cartoon, and discuss the answer to the following questions.

**Picture 1.3A**

Who does the man wearing the hat represent? The man with the pigtail? The man being eaten?

What is the great fear that the artist refers to in the caption? How does the cartoon represent the fear?

What does the artist see as the end result of the fear? How does the cartoon depict that end result?

**Picture 1.3B**

What are the ships dumping on the Statue of Liberty’s Island?

What is the statue thinking? Why?

What is ironic, perhaps even hypocritical, about the statue’s reactions?

What is the artist’s attitude towards immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3.C**

What is happening in this cartoon?

Why do the people in the holes have traps set? How are the immigrants reacting?

What are the police doing? Why do you think they are depicted as they are?

What is the artist’s attitude toward immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3D**

What is happening in this cartoon?

Who is parting the waters? Describe his facial features? What do the waves represent?

Who do the people walking between the waves represent?

How is Europe Represented? The United States? Why?

What is the artist’s Attitude toward immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3.E**

What is happening in this cartoon?

The sign about Uncle Sam Reads: “U.S. Ark of Refuge.” What is Uncle Sam offering the immigrants? Why?

What might the figures in the clouds in the upper right represent?

What is the artist’s attitude toward immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3F**

What is happening in this cartoon?

How is Uncle Sam portrayed? What is he holding?

Which on the people on Uncle Sam’s list were born in the United States? Why are they depicted as immigrants?

What is the meaning on the sign hanging on the Statue of Liberty?

What is the artist’s Attitude toward immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3G**

What is happening in this cartoon?

What do the written notices on the walls say? To what legislative act do they refer?

What does the first part of the caption mean? How do the three characters in the cartoon relate to it?

What fear is expressed in this cartoon?

What is the artist’s attitude towards immigrants? Explain.

**Picture 1.3 H**

What is happening in this cartoon?

Whom do the bandits represent? Why?

What is Uncle Sam’s Reaction to what is happening?

What is the significance of the image of President McKinley in the smoke of Uncle Sam’s Cigar?

What is the artist’s attitude toward immigrants? Explain.