

## Chapter 18 Questions

### Core Questions

1. Explain why competition is good for consumers but why businesses do not like it.
2. Explain how businesses used the four stages of cooperation to decrease competition in the late 1800s.
3. Explain how and why big businesses were successful in ensuring that government policies were favorable to the growth of big business in the late 1800s.
4. Describe the positive and negative effects of big business during the late 1800s.

### Supplemental Questions

1. Write the word or words for each lettered definition:
  - a. a group of people appointed to carry out certain government or public duties.
  - b. a payment to a person to get them to do something dishonest.
  - c. giving someone a job based on friendship rather than ability.
  - d. another word meaning rules.
  - e. trade between states.
  - f. a test for a government job.
2. Why did the authors of the constitution not give the federal government many powers?
3. In the late 1800s, what four activities did the federal government control?
4. How can tariffs help American businesses and farmers?
5. How can tariffs hurt consumers?
6. Name three groups of persons who had problems with big business owners.
7. What two things did big business owners want government to do?
8. What are the three levels of government?
9. In what way did the federal government have control over businesses?
10. What were three ways that wealthy business owners got government to support them?
11. What kind of decisions did city councils make?
12. Why were city councilmen offered bribes?
13. What is the problem of using patronage to select someone to do a job?
14. Why did the government in some states try to control the rates of railroad companies?
15. Describe how the Supreme Court weakened the laws to control big business.
16. Describe how legislators wrote laws that couldn't be enforced.
17. Why wasn't the Interstate Commerce Act effective?
18. Why wasn't the Sherman Antitrust Act effective in regulating trust?
19. Why was the Pendleton Act passed?
20. Why was the Pendleton Act not successful?