Mr. Beckett

Social Reformers

**Directions**

Create a single-sided reform poster complete with pictures, quotes and slogans demanding reform of a particular aspect of our society. Reform society with quotes and pictures from the 1800’s reformers. Want to end alcohol abuse? See American Temperance Union of the 1800’s. Equal pay for women? Read up on the Seneca Falls Convention, or research Susan B. Anthony.

**Issues and Leaders**

Transcendentalism – Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Walt Whitman and others

Temperance – Abstinence through Self-Discipline. American Temperance Union

Education – Horace Mann, Noah Webster

Prisons and Mental Hospitals – Dorthea Dix

Women’s Rights – Seneca Falls, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Sojourner Truth

Abolitionist Movement – Mennonites and Quakers, William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglas, Harriet

Beecher Stowe

Diet – Sylvester Graham (Vegetarianism), John Harvey Kellogg (Cornflakes!) and Hydrotherapy

Environment – James Fenmore Cooper

Business Corruption – Herman Melville

Religious Utopia – Mother Ann Lee, Robert Owen (New Harmony)

**Conversational Purposes Only**

Who would resist each movement? What purpose would an interest be against any/all of the above reforms?

Which of these movements are still prevalent in society today? Which faded or became obsolete, unimportant?

How would these movements add to the likelihood of Civil War?