

Progressive Era Vocabulary List

Acumen → The ability to make quick accurate intelligent judgments about people or situations

Affluent → Having an abundance of wealth

Dearth → A lack or scarcity of something

Demagogue → A political leader who gains power by appealing to people's emotions

Foil → Hinder or prevent, as an effort, plan, or desire

Iconoclast → Someone who attacks cherished ideas or institutions

Maverick → Someone who exhibits independence in thought and action

Partisan → A strong (biased) supporter of a person, group, or cause

Progressive → Belonging to or associated with a political party that advocates for social reform

Realism → A practical understanding and acceptance of the actual nature of the world, rather than an idealized or romantic view of it

Reform → To change or improve something by changing its faults.