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Assessment Unit 4: “Political and Social Reform Movements”

Answer each of the following questions in a paragraph (150–250 words):

1. To what extent would prominent Progressives such as Presidents Theodore Roosevelt or Woodrow Wilson have agreed with the views expressed by the Omaha Platform of the Populist Party (1892) and the “Cross of Gold” speech by William Jennings Bryan (1896)? How did Progressives and Populists differ?
2. Was the Progressive Era primarily a political or a social movement?