**Chapter 23**

**STEP 4**

**Put It All Together**

Now, take a step back and try to explain the big picture. Remember to use specific examples from the chapter in your answers.

**Postwar Developments**

* What place did big business hold in the politics and culture of the 1920s?
* How did the economic changes of the 1920s contribute to challenges to social, cultural, and ethical norms?

**Resistance to Change**

* What explains the rising anti-immigrant mood of America in the 1920s?
* What cultural divisions between rural and urban America were highlighted by the election of 1928?

**The Crash and the Depression**

* What underlying weaknesses in the American and world economies led to the Great Depression?
* How did Herbert Hoover respond to the economic crisis that engulfed his presidency? Why were his efforts unsuccessful?
* What was the “human toll” of the Great Depression?

**Looking Backward, Looking Ahead**

* Were the 1920s truly a New Era? Why or why not?
* How were American life and culture challenged by the economic collapse of 1929? How did economic disaster make political change possible?