

Labor Unions—The Failure to Gain Public Acceptance

Part A.

For homework, use your textbook as a reference in completing the chart and accompanying question. Then read the documents in part B in preparation for a class discussion on early labor unions in the United States.

Questions	Knights of Labor	American Federation of Labor (AFL)
Who was eligible to join?		
What were the goals of the union?		
What were the union's methods of achieving its goals?		
What was the public's perception of the union?		

How does your completed chart help to account for the greater success of the American Federation of Labor than the Knights of Labor?