“America the Story of Us: Cities” NAME:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. What is meant by a “modern vertical city”?
2. Where was the Statue of Liberty was built and why was it given to the United States?
3. What was the original role of the Statue of Liberty?
4. What does the Statue of Liberty represent?
5. Why does Michael Douglas say America represents the best of the human spirit?
6. From 1880 until 1930 how many new immigrants arrived in the United States?
7. How did the mass production of steel affect the price and output?
8. How did the building of the Carnegie Steel mills affect the city of Pittsburgh?
9. What does the narrator mean by “extreme opulence”?
10. Describe the conditions for workers who build the skyscrapers of the U.S.
11. How did the elevator contribute to the growth of cities?
12. Describe the living conditions in the cities, especially in the slums. Include crime, sanitation, amount of people, etc.
13. What areas of the United States had the highest population density of anywhere in the world?
14. What are some changes that came about by the work of Jacob Riis?
15. What effect did Colonel George Warring’s work have on the rest of the nation?

1. How did Edison’s invention change the daily life of Americans?
2. What changes in worker safety did the fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory lead to?
3. Overall, what were the major changes seen in American life due to the rapid expansion of cities? Think in terms of economics, social structure, health, culture, etc.