SS.912.A.3.1 - Challenges to American Farmers – Example 8 Answer

The political cartoon below, drawn in 1904, depicts Theodore Roosevelt and lions each marked with the name of a business trust. Use your knowledge of U.S. history to answer the following question.

What do you think is the cartoonists’ view on trust-busting in the early 20th century?

A. Businesses who involve themselves in trusts are weak and therefore pose no danger to the U.S. economy.

B. The government plays only a small role in eliminating trusts that have formed within the United States.

C. Roosevelt wants to only curb trusts’ power within the economy, rather than eliminate them altogether.

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Answer

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