The Challenges of Urbanization - Activity

Part A. Build Vocabulary

Key Terms Write the term in each blank that best completes the statement.

urbanization: growth of cities

tenements: urban dwellings for several families

mass transit: transportation system designed to move

large numbers of people along fixed routes

settlement house: community center that addressed

problems in slum neighborhoods

1.	Jane Addams was an important member of the	
	movement. She established a	
	community center in Chicago to help immigrants in slum neighborhoods.	
2.	The growth of industry in the United States led to rapid growth of cities or	
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3 .	As more immigrants moved to cities, they often had to live in unhealthy	
	dwellings called, where many families were	
	crowded together.	
4.	Streetcars and electric subways were new forms of	
	that allowed large numbers	

Part B. Cooperative Work

Complete the chart by working with your group to determine the answers.

of people to move from place to place along fixed routes.

The People	Why was each group drawn to the Northeast and Midwest?
1. Immigrants	
2. Farmers	
3. African Americans	
The Problems	What was done in response to each problem?
4. Lack of safe and efficient transportation	
5. Lack of sanitation	
6. Fire hazards	
7. Crime	