# Chapter 17 – Immigration Experience

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**Directions**: Follow each prompt. You will read a selection and/or view an image/document. Answer each question thoroughly. {*Instructors: insert specific directions such as word count, response type, submission format, etc.*}



Image 1. “The Chinese Must Go – Magic Washer." Anti-Chinese Immigrant US

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1. **BACKGROUND**
	1. **Read:** [**https://openstax.org/books/us-history/pages/17-5-the-impact-of-expansion-on-chinese-immigrants-and-hispanic-citizens**](https://openstax.org/books/us-history/pages/17-5-the-impact-of-expansion-on-chinese-immigrants-and-hispanic-citizens) (Section 17.5) in the *OpenStax US History* textbook.
	2. **Answer:** According to the chapter reading, what factors led to anti-Chinese sentiment in America and the eventual Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882? List and explain at least three.
2. **CONSIDER**
	1. **View:** Study the political cartoon above carefully.
	2. **Answer:** Describe the anti-Chinese sentiment expressed in this late 19th Century political cartoon?
3. **REFLECT**
	1. **Read:** [**“**[**The Transcontinental Railroad and the Asian Story**](https://postalmuseum.si.edu/the-transcontinental-railroad-and-the-asian-american-story)**”**](https://postalmuseum.si.edu/the-transcontinental-railroad-and-the-asian-american-story)
	2. **Answer:** What does the site celebrate, and what, if any, does it condemn?
4. **CONNECT**
	1. **Read:** [**https://ballotpedia.org/California\_Proposition\_187,\_Prohibit\_Undocumented\_Immigrants\_from\_Using\_Public\_Healthcare,\_Schools,\_and\_Social\_Services\_Initiative\_(1994)**](https://ballotpedia.org/California_Proposition_187%2C_Prohibit_Undocumented_Immigrants_from_Using_Public_Healthcare%2C_Schools%2C_and_Social_Services_Initiative_%281994%29)
	2. **Answer:** What was California’s Proposition 187? Compare the Proposition 187 initiative to the anti-Chinese sentiment of 1882.