The Emergence of Industrial America

Listed below are a series of factors responsible for American industrialism in the late nineteenth century. First, explain the significance of each term. Then, examine the list, divide the items into three or four categories, and label the categories. Finally, write a thesis statement to account for the United States becoming the foremost industrial power in the world by 1900.

Factors Supporting Industrialism

a. Western mining
b. Immigration
c. Government subsidies and tax concessions to railroads
d. Advances in communication
e. Corporation charters
f. Laissez faire attitude of government
g. Bessemer process
h. New sources of power
i. High tariffs
j. Yankee ingenuity
k. Entrepreneurs
l. Vertical and horizontal integration
m. National markets
n. Civil War profits and foreign investment
Write here your thesis statement to account for the emergence of industrialism in America. Be sure to state what you believe to be the most important factor and state or imply its relationship to the other categories you developed in the above chart.