

Section 1: Expansion and Imperialism

General Understandings

- 1) The growth of imperialist sentiment in the U.S. was caused by several factors.
- 2) The Spanish-American War signaled the emergence of the United States as a world power.
- 3) Our victory in the Spanish-American War created a need for a new foreign policy.
- 4) Our relationship with the nations of Latin America and the Caribbean has changed over time.

Required Assignment

Read the handout, "The Age of Imperialism," and complete an information organizer.....
3 pts.

Activities

- 1) The U.S. gained a great deal of territory between 1865 and 1917. Create a project to show how we acquired each territory and the order in which they were acquired. Download or ask your teacher for a handout with more detailed information about this activity.....5 pts.
- 2) Alaska and Hawaii have both become states, yet each territory was acquired in a much different way. Make and illustrate a poster that on one half shows how the U.S. acquired Alaska, and on the other half shows how the U.S. acquired Hawaii.....3 pts.
- 3) Prepare a booklet entitled, "Who's Who in the Age of Imperialism?" Download or ask your teacher for a handout with more detailed information about this activity....4 pts.
- 4) Complete the Internet activities, "America Becomes a World Power" and "A New Foreign Policy"....4 pts.
- 5) Study some editorial cartoons from this time period and then answer some questions about those cartoons.....3 pts
- 6) Make a map showing Central America and the Panama Canal. Download or ask your teacher for a handout with more detailed information about this activity.....4 pts.
- 7) Choose an audiovisual presentation from the list below, watch it, and complete a worksheet. This is an Internet activity. You may do only **two** of these.....3 pts. each
 - Should the Nation Continue to Expand?
 - The Spanish-American War: America Comes of Age
 - Theodore Roosevelt Builds a Canal

- 8) Watch the video, "America in the 20th Century: America Becomes a World Power" and complete a worksheet. This is an Internet activity.....3 pts.
- 9) Create a flow chart illustrating the changing nature of U.S. involvement and intervention in Latin America and the Caribbean. Download or ask your teacher for a handout with more detailed information about this activity.....3 pts.
- 10) Read Chapter 21, "America in World Affairs, 1865-1912," in *American History* and complete written answers to questions about that reading.....5 pts.