**CHAPTER 18 ASSESSMENT**

**VISUAL SUMMARY**

**AMERICA CLAIMS AN EMPIRE**

**CAUSES**
- Economic competition among industrial nations
- Political and military competition, including the creation of a strong naval force
- A belief in Anglo-Saxon superiority

**AMERICAN IMPERIALISM**

**EFFECTS**
- The U.S. purchased Alaska in 1867.
- The U.S. annexed Hawaii in 1898.
- In 1898, the U.S. helped Cuba win independence from Spain.
- In the Treaty of Paris, the U.S. gained Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Philippine Islands.
- Following the Spanish-American War, the U.S. reorganized the government of Puerto Rico, established a protectorate over Cuba, and crushed a revolt in the Philippines.
- In 1899, the Open Door policy established U.S. trading rights in China.
- In the early 1900s, President Roosevelt initiated plans for the Panama Canal and asserted the right of the U.S. to exercise police power in the Western Hemisphere.
- President Wilson pressured Mexico and other countries in the Western Hemisphere to establish democratic governments.

**TERMS & NAMES**

For each term or name below, write a sentence explaining its significance to U.S. foreign policy between 1890 and 1920.

1. Queen Liliuokalani
2. imperialism
3. José Martí
4. yellow journalism
5. U.S.S. Maine
6. protectorate
7. Open Door notes
8. Boxer Rebellion
9. Panama Canal
10. Roosevelt Corollary

**MAIN IDEAS**

Use your notes and the information in the chapter to answer the following questions.

**Imperialism and America** (pages 548–551)
1. What three factors spurred American imperialism?
2. How did Queen Liliuokalani’s main goal conflict with American imperialists’ goals?

**The Spanish-American War** (pages 552–557)
3. Why was American opinion about Cuban independence divided?
4. Briefly describe the terms of the Treaty of Paris of 1898.

**Acquiring New Lands** (pages 558–564)
5. Why was the U.S. interested in events in Puerto Rico?
6. What sparked the Boxer Rebellion in 1900, and how was it crushed?
7. What three key beliefs about America’s industrial capitalist economy were reflected in the Open Door policy?

**America as a World Power** (pages 565–571)
8. What conflict triggered the war between Russia and Japan?
9. Why is the construction of the Panama Canal considered one of the world’s greatest engineering feats?
10. Explain the key difference between Woodrow Wilson’s moral diplomacy and Teddy Roosevelt’s “big stick” diplomacy.

**CRITICAL THINKING**

1. **USING YOUR NOTES** Create a Venn diagram like the one below to show the similarities and differences between José Martí of Cuba and Emilio Aguinaldo of the Philippines.

   ![Venn diagram](image)

2. **HYPOTHESIZING** Would Cuba have won its independence in the late 19th century if the United States had not intervened there? Support your opinion with details from the text.

3. **INTERPRETING MAPS** Look carefully at the Caribbean map on page 555 and the world map on page 562. Why do you think American naval bases in the Caribbean and the Pacific were beneficial to the United States?
1. What is the cartoonist’s point of view concerning the relationship between the United States and Cuba?
   A. The United States wishes to be friends with Cuba.
   B. The United States will devour Cuba.
   C. The United States is wasting its time fighting over such a small area.
   D. The United States has no interest in Cuba.

2. How did the building of the Panama Canal support United States efforts to become a world power?
   F. It gave the United States a colony in Central America.
   G. It prevented Japan and China from attacking Hawaii.
   H. It opened up a new avenue for trade with China.
   J. By providing a shortcut between the Atlantic Ocean and Pacific Ocean, it opened up new trading opportunities.

ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT

1. Recall your discussion of the question on page 547:

   **Does the U.S. have a duty to fight for freedom in neighboring countries?**

   Suppose you are a journalist at the end of the Spanish-American War. You work for William Randolph Hearst’s the New York Journal. Write a newspaper editorial that presents your point of view about whether or not the Senate should ratify the Treaty of Paris, thus annexing the Philippines.

2. **LEARNING FROM MEDIA** Use the CD-ROM Electronic Library of Primary Sources and other resources to research opinions on imperialism between 1895 and 1920.
   - Choose a document, incident, or piece of writing about imperialism. Decide if you support it or disagree with it.
   - Write a speech that presents your point of view. Decide how you will make your arguments clear and convincing while also addressing opposing concerns.
   - Practice your speech aloud and then present it to the class.