

Q U E S T I O N E L E V E N

Did the IMPERIALIST ERA

EXPAND or BETRAY

America's FOUNDING IDEALS?

EXPLORING AMERICA'S HISTORY THROUGH COMPELLING QUESTIONS

S T U D E N T W O R K B O O K

NAME

PERIOD

F I R S T Q U E S T I O N DID AMERICA NEED TO BE AN IMPERIAL NATION?

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CONTENT VOCABULARY

IDEAS

American Exceptionalism
City Upon a Hill
Social Darwinism
White Man's Burden

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Alfred T. Mahan
Queen Liliuokalani
American Anti-Imperialism
League

EVENTS

Seward's Folly
Annexation of Hawaii

BOOKS

The Influence of
Seapower upon
History

LOCATIONS

Contiguous United States
Pearl Harbor
American Samoa

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Annex: attach to

Conflate: mix together different elements

Contiguous: having a common boundary or edge

Credo: any system of principles or beliefs

Decry: express strong disapproval of

Emergence: the act of coming out into view

Encroachment: any entry into an area not previously occupied

Foray: a sudden short attack

Gobble: eat hastily without proper chewing

Humanitarian: marked by devotion to popular welfare

Indigenous originating where it is found

Isthmus: a narrow strip of land connecting two larger land areas

Overseas: beyond or across the ocean

Pinpoint: the sharp point of a pin

Provisional: under terms not final or fully worked out or agreed upon

Racist: a person with a belief in the superiority of one people

Reciprocity: a relation of mutual dependence or action

Secretive: reluctant to divulge information

Somber: grave or even gloomy in character

S E C O N D Q U E S T I O N

DID AMERICA DESERVE THE OUTCOMES OF THE S P A N I S H - A M E R I C A N A N D P H I L I P P I N E - A M E R I C A N W A R S ?

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PEOPLE & GROUPS

José Martí
George Dewey
Rough Riders
Smoked Yankees
William Howard Taft
Emilio Aguinaldo
Mark Twain

TREATIES & LAWS

Teller Amendment
Jones Act
Treaty of Manila
Treaty of Paris of 1898
Platt Amendment

SHIPS

USS Maine

LOCATIONS

Cuba
Havana
Puerto Rico
Guam
Philippines

EVENTS

Explosion of the USS
Maine
Spanish-American War
Battle of Manila
Philippine-American War

KEY IDEAS

Remember the Maine
Splendid Little War

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Atrocity: an act of shocking cruelty
Bolster: support and strengthen
Dispatch: the act of sending off something
Exterminate: kill on a large scale
Hubris: overbearing pride or presumption
Inefficient: not producing desired results; wasteful
Inept: generally incompetent and ineffectual
Influx: the process of flowing in
Kinship: relatedness or connection by blood or marriage or adoption
Lustrous: reflecting light
Pervasive: spreading or spread throughout
Provocative: serving or tending to excite or stimulate
Redefine: give a new or different meaning to
Sensational: amazing or shocking
Slogan: a favorite saying of a sect or political group
Stipulation: a restriction insisted upon as a condition for an agreement
Tactical: pertaining to detailed maneuvers to achieve objectives
Underscore: give extra weight to
Worthwhile: sufficiently valuable to justify the investment of time

T H I R D Q U E S T I O N HOW SHOULD AMERICA PROJECT ITS POWER AROUND THE WORLD?

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PEOPLE & GROUPS

John Hay
Dr. Walter Reed
Pancho Villa

LOCATIONS

Panama Canal

IDEAS

Spheres of Influence
Banana Republic

POLICIES

Open Door Policy
Big Stick Diplomacy
Roosevelt Corollary
Good Neighbor Policy
Dollar Diplomacy
Moral Diplomacy

EVENTS

Boxer Rebellion
Russo-Japanese War
Great White Fleet

BUSINESSES

United Fruit Company

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Addendum: text that is added to the end of a publication

Allegedly: according to what has been declared but not proved

Assertive: aggressively self-assured

Canal: long and narrow strip of water for boats or for irrigation

Clout: influence

Coercion: using force to cause something to occur

Coup: a sudden change of government by force

Crux: the most important point

Foray: a sudden short attack

Fumigation: the application of gas or smoke to kill pests

Half-hearted: feeling or showing little interest or enthusiasm

Idealistic: of high moral or intellectual value

Infrastructure: roads, bridges, railroads, ports, etc.

Inroad: an encroachment or intrusion

Ostensibly: from appearances alone

Proponent: a person who pleads for a cause or propounds an idea

Viability: the state of being capable of normal growth and development

F O U R T H Q U E S T I O N IS WILSON'S IDEA OF MORAL DIPLOMACY POSSIBLE IN THE REAL WORLD?

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IDEAS

Trench Warfare
Neutrality

PEOPLE & GROUPS

Queen Victoria
Wilhelm II
Archduke Franz Ferdinand

EVENTS

Assassination of Franz
Ferdinand
The Great War
Russian Revolution

LAWS

National Defense Act
Naval Appropriations Act

TEXTS

Zimmerman Telegram

LOCATIONS

Triple Entente
Triple Alliance/Central
Powers

SPEECHES

Wilson's War Message

SHIPS

U-Boat
Lusitania

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Abdicate: to give up power

Antagonize: provoke the hostility of

Assassinate: murder; especially of socially prominent
persons

Barbed: having or covered with protective points,
spines, or thorns

Belligerence: hostile or warlike attitude or nature

Blockade: a war measure isolating an area of
importance to the enemy

Capitalize: take advantage of an opportunity

Catastrophe: a disaster

Civilian: a nonmilitary citizen

Decimate: kill in large numbers

Enmity: a state of deep-seated ill-will

Escalate: increase in extent or intensity

Impartial: free from bias or opinions

Inevitability: the quality of being unavoidable

Nonetheless: despite anything to the contrary

Ongoing: currently happening

Paramount: having superior power and influence

Pogrom: organized persecution of an ethnic group,
especially Jews

Slogan: a favorite saying of group or company

Unrestricted: not subject to or subjected to limiting

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F I F T H Q U E S T I O N

ARE RESTRICTIONS ON BASIC FREEDOMS JUSTIFIED IN TIMES OF CRISIS?

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PEOPLE & GROUPS

Conscientious Objectors
Herbert Hoover
Bernard Baruch
George Creel
Harlem Hellfighters

LAWS

Selective Service Act
Lever Act/Food and Fuel
Control Act
Liberty Loan Act
Espionage Act
Sedition Act

COURT CASES

Schenck v. United States

SONGS

Over There

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Fuel Administration
Food Administration
War Industries Board
U.S. Railway
Administration
Committee on Public
Information
National Labor War
Board
Women's Land Army

KEY IDEAS

Draft
Daylight Savings Time
Propaganda
Eight-Hour Day

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Bilingual: using or knowing two languages
Clerical: appropriate for or engaged in office work
Disseminate: cause to become widely known
Entrenched: dug in
Exacerbate: make worse
Extol: praise, glorify, or honor
Familiarize: make knowledgeable about
Flagrant: conspicuously and outrageously bad
Incidence: an event
Lucrative: producing a sizeable profit
Manifold: many and varied
Menial: relating to unskilled work
Meritorious: deserving reward or praise
Municipality: a local district having powers of self-government
Poignant: keenly distressing to the mind or feelings
Pummel: strike, usually with the fist
Sabotage: a deliberate act of destruction or disruption
Stifled: held in check with difficulty
Upheaval: a violent disturbance
Wage: something that remunerates
Workforce: the people employed or available for employment

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NOTES ON THE TEXT

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S I X T H Q U E S T I O N SHOULD AMERICA BE INVOLVED IN THE WORLD OR ISOLATIONIST?

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PEOPLE & GROUPS

Vladimir Lenin
American Expeditionary
Force (AEF)
John "Blackjack" Pershing
League of Nations
Henry Cabot Lodge
Irreconcilables
Reservationists
Edith Wilson

IDEAS

Armistice
Fourteen Points
Reparations

EVENTS

Armistice Day
1918 Influenza Pandemic
Paris Peace Conference

TREATIES

Treaty of Versailles
Article X of the League of
Nations Covenant

ACADEMIC VOCABULARY IN THE TEXT

Casualty: someone injured or killed in an accident
Coherent: orderly and consistent
Covenant: an agreement between God and his people
Debilitating: impairing strength and vitality
De facto: existing, whether with lawful authority or not
Engulf: flow over or cover completely
Ensuing: following immediately and as a result of what went before
Epidemic: a widespread outbreak of disease
Grueling: characterized by effort to the point of exhaustion
Justification: the act of defending or explaining
Loath: strongly opposed
Misgiving: uneasiness about the fitness of an action
Obligated: caused by law or conscience to follow a certain course
Onslaught: an offensive against an enemy
Procurement: the act of getting possession of something
Slip away: leave furtively and stealthily
Topple: fall down, as if collapsing
Undermine: weaken or impair, especially gradually

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