**Unit 4, Part I -** The Origins of American (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Imperialism** is when one country rules over another country for economic or political gain.
2. Before the late 1800’s and early 1900’s the United States was primarily concerned with taking territory out (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. This was based on the belief that America was destined to spread from “sea to shining sea,” from the East Coast to the West Coast. This belief was called (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. By 1890, the western frontier was closed which meant that the United States needed somewhere else to expand. They began looking to other countries.
4. Justifications for Imperialism:
   1. (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
   2. (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
      1. The United States needed access to more natural resources for industrialization and larger markets to sell their goods. They also needed ports for trade around the world.
   3. (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      1. **Alfred T. Mahan** wrote a book called ***The Influence of Sea Power upon History*** which argued that the United States must have a strong navy if they wanted to be a world power both economically and militarily.
   4. (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
      1. Remember, **Social Darwinism** is the belief that some races are better than other races.
      2. This idea was furthered when Rudyard Kipling wrote a poem called, (8)“\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .” This poem promoted the idea that the **Anglo-Saxon** (white) race was the best and should spread their culture around the world through imperialism.
      3. Even many missionaries embraced this idea because they felt that the needed to spread the gospel to these “barbaric,” “uncivilized” people.
5. Arguments Against Imperialism
   1. However, not all Americans supported imperialism for a variety of reasons, including:
      1. The idea that it was (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and unconstitutional.
      2. The idea that it was (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and immoral.
      3. The idea that it was (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and an economic burden.
   2. The most famous group to speak out against imperialism was the (12)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
      1. This group included notable people such as Mark Twain and William Jennings Bryan who condemned American leaders who supported imperialism and called for an end to US expansion.
6. Alaska and Hawaii
   1. Some of America’s earliest targets were Alaska and Hawaii.
      1. Right after the Civil War, the United States purchased Alaska from (13)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
         1. This purchase was made by Secretary of State William Seward. Many people thought he was making a mistake because they believed Alaska to be useless. They made fun of the deal calling it (14)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_or **Seward’s Icebox**.
         2. However, Alaska turned out to be rich in natural resources, especially oil.
      2. Throughout the nineteenth century, America kept its eye on Hawaii.
         1. The United States wanted Hawaii for two primary reasons:
            1. Economic interests (sugar, pineapples, etc…)
            2. Most importantly, the United States wanted Hawaii because of its (15) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It was a halfway point between the United States and important trading partners like the Philippines, China, and Japan.
         2. In 1890, an American businessman named (16)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ led a rebellion against the queen of Hawaii, (17)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
         3. While this action was not supported by the United State government at the time, they also did not stop it.
         4. Sanford Dole began ruling over the island and eventually the United States (18) ­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Hawaii in 1898 because of the Spanish-American War.