

Chapter 19 Guided Reading Questions

Section 1

1. How had slavery and sectionalism limited interest in imperialism before the Civil War?
2. What was the general reaction to William Seward's proposed purchase of Alaska?
3. What three (unknown at the time) advantages were gained with the purchase of Alaska?

Section 2

1. 1900 marked the emergence of the US as what?
2. Alfred Mahan cited what four factors as the keys to American greatness in the modern world?
3. Why is the Hawaiian Revolution of the 1890's a dark page in American history?

Section 3

1. List five factors that stirred American interest in overseas expansion.
2. What was the prime objective of yellow journalism?
3. What role did the yellow press play in the aftermath of the destruction of the *U.S.S. Maine*?

4. What fact about the Spanish-American War proves that William McKinley was more of a politician than true national leader?
5. What military experience did Teddy Roosevelt gain during the Spanish-American War?
6. This “splendid little war” marked what change in America’s relationship with the world?
7. Which issue became the major focus in the election of 1900?
8. As part of the agreement that led to the US withdrawal from Cuba, the US gained what?

Chapter 19 Vocabulary

Section 1

expansionism

Seward's Folly

Section 2

Alfred T. Mahan

Monroe Doctrine

Section 3

Yellow Journalism

Joseph Pulitzer

William Randolph Hearst

the *Maine*

Theodore Roosevelt

imperialism

William McKinley