

Worksheet: American Foreign Policy to the early 1900s
The "Splendid Little War" and the Open Door Policy - America Joins the Great Nations

Define the following terms:

"Big Stick" Policy
Dollar diplomacy
Gunboat diplomacy
Roosevelt Corollary

1. What is the basis of all American foreign policy?
2. What are the three main parts of the Monroe Doctrine?
3. How and why did the United States acquire the Samoan Islands in 1889?
4. How and why did the United States acquire Hawaii?
5. What was Hawaii before the United States annexed it?
6. List three developments that led the United States to declare war on Spain in 1898.
7. What were the results of the Spanish-American War?
8. Of the following colonies owned by the United States in 1900, which were acquired in the Spanish-American War? How were the others acquired? Guam, Hawaii, Midway Island, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, the Samoan Islands, the Virgin Islands
9. How did U.S. foreign policy change after 1898?
10. Why was America interested in China at the beginning of the twentieth century?
11. What were European countries doing in China?
12. What was the Open Door Policy, and how did it get its name?
13. In what way was the Open Door policy different from United States foreign policy before that time?
14. Why did Panama let the United States build a canal across their land?
15. Who was Pancho Villa?