### SUGGESTIONS FOR TEACHERS

The issues and debates of the age of Imperialism continue to be relevant topics in today’s world. Questions like what our role in the international community should be and whether we should intervene in other countries’ affairs are constantly being discussed.

Have your students analyze this primary source set and select sources to create a timeline of American Imperialism. Then ask the students how imperialism changed over time. Have your students read this article about modern American Samoa. In what ways is imperialism still affecting us today? Should the United States have territories? Why or why not? Can imperialism be beneficial? How is imperialism a negative thing?

### SUGGESTED LINKS
- A Guide to the Spanish-American War
- Monroe Doctrine
- The Spanish-American War in Motion Pictures
- Teaching With Primary Sources-August 2015 Newsletter
- The Industrial Revolution in the United States-Primary Source Set

### ALSO SEE:
- Crucible of Empire: The Spanish-American War
- Spanish American War Centennial Website
- A War In Perspective 1898-1998
- Evolution: Darwin: In the Name of Darwin (PBS)
- Everything You Need to Know About the Territories of the United States
"Who will haul it down?" / Dalrymple. [1899]

Liliuokalani [1915]

Proposed annexation of Hawaii. [1898]

"Kamehameha the Great" statue, Hawaii. [2005]

Topographical map of the Hawaiian Islands. [1893]
[Existence of war - Spain.] By the President of the United States of America: a proclamation
Whereas by an act of Congress approved April 25, 1898, it is declared that war exists and that war has existed since the 21st day of April, A. D. 1898.

[Spanish-American War] [n.d.]
Colonel Roosevelt and his Rough Riders at the top of the hill which they captured, Battle of San Juan. [1898]

Crew on Hayuey, Cuba. [n.d]

Cuba Libre. [c. 1869]

Harvesting sugarcane in Cuba. [c. 1940]
His 128th birthday -- "Gee, but this is an awful stretch!" / Keppler. [1904]

In the insurgent trenches. [1899]

Phillipsburg herald. April 02, 1901.

Rebel Leader of the Philippine Forces. [1899]
"I rather like that imported affair" / Grant Hamilton. [1904]

James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson, October 17, 1823. [1823]

Anti-imperialist league officials [1899]

Stand pat! [1904]

This is No. 4 of the Series — W. L. Russ

[The Strenuous Resolve] [1902]
Delighted president Roosevelt has illustrated his message to congress.
[c. 1910-1918]

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Panama Canal, [1913]

Panoramic view of the canal of Pan-
ama, From the relief constructed by
Ch. Muret on official documents.
[1881]

Map showing line of proposed lock canal
with summit elevation at 85 feet : [Panama
Canal] [1906]
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