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3.01 US Imperialism

1. According to the reading, why did the United States largely shy away from imperialism prior to 1890?

2. What factors and motivations caused Americans to shift their attitudes towards imperialism in the late 1800s?

3. Describe the circumstances surrounding “Seward’s Folly”.

4. What areas of the world were “available” for takeover when the United States got involved in expansionism?

5. Describe the U.S.-Hawaiian relationship prior to the U.S. takeover.

6. Explain the effect the McKinley Tariff had on the U.S.-Hawaiian relationship.

7. What ultimately happened in Hawaii?

8. Reflect on U.S. motivations and actions during the expansionist period. What critiques do you have of the period? What aspects do you agree with? Explain using 4-5 sentences.

9. Think of modern-day examples that highlight the same motivations for expansion that existed during the turn of the 20th century. Where do we see those same motivations today? Do we experience acts of imperialism? Reflect on local, national, or global events. Explain with examples to support to your answer.