US History – Review Sheet

Imperialism to WWI

IMPERIALISM:

What were the reasons that the United States wanted to begin a policy of imperialism?

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Who was Alfred T. Mahan and what 5 things did he urge the United States to do?

Why did the United States annex Hawaii? How were they able to do get control of Hawaii from the natives?

What were the causes to the Spanish-American War?

What did the United States gain as result of the war?

What was the Open Door Policy? Why did the United States want it?

Who developed the “Big Stick” Policy?

1. How the US gain the rights to the Panama Canal zone? Why did they want it?
2. What was the Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine? How did it make the US the “policeman of the Western Hemisphere”?

What was Taft’s Dollar Diplomacy and Wilson’s Missionary Diplomacy?

WWI:

What was the US foreign policy position at the beginning of WWI?

What were the 4 causes to the direct involvement of the US in WWI?

The war at home –

1. What were women’s contributions to the war? What did they gain as result of their efforts?
2. What was the “Great Migration” that began during WWI?
3. How did the US government raise support for the war (both politically and financially)?
4. What impact did the war itself have on the US economy?
5. What precedent was set as a result of the *Schenck v. US* Supreme Court case?

What was the purpose of President Wilson’s 14 points?

Why was there opposition to the Treaty of Versailles in the United States?

Why wasn’t the Treaty of Versailles and the League of Nations ratified by the United States Senate?