

Becoming a World Power

Section 2 Filmstrip

Theodore Roosevelt Builds a Canal

Look and listen for the answers to the questions below as you view this filmstrip/videocassette presentation.

1. How many European immigrants arrived in 1909?
2. In the past, _____ and the _____ had set the character of the nation. Now, _____ had taken the lead. America's cities were bursting _____ and _____. It was an era of tempestuous _____ and dynamic _____
3. Roosevelt became a national _____ during the war with Spain. After his return from Cuba, he was elected Governor of _____
4. Roosevelt became Vice President under President _____. How did he first become President?
5. Roosevelt felt the presidency should be a very _____ office, and the president should be a _____ person who uses _____ without hesitation.
6. In the war with Spain, the U.S. had gained possessions in the _____ and the _____.
7. In foreign policy, Roosevelt's main attention was directed toward _____ America. He saw the U.S. as the dominant nation in the _____. He was determined to uphold the _____ Doctrine, which said the U.S. would not allow _____ interference in the Americas.
8. What nation failed in an attempt to build a canal across Panama in the late 1800's?
9. Panama was a province of _____. When Panama declared independence, Roosevelt quickly recognized the new nation of _____. Soon after, a _____ was signed giving the U.S. the right and the land to build a canal across Panama.

10. Roosevelt intended the Panama Canal to be a “_____” canal, in which ships would be raised and lowered as they went through it. This required less _____.
11. An impediment to building the canal was _____ fever, a disease carried by _____.
12. When Roosevelt went to Panama in 1906, he became the first President to visit a foreign country while in _____.
13. The Panama Canal was finally completed in _____, the same month that World War I began in _____.
14. The effects of the Panama Canal were _____.
- Cargo was delivered more _____ and _____.
 - The U.S. could use _____ navy to protect _____ of its coastlines and to dominate two _____.
15. To protect the canal, the U.S. needed _____ bases. The U.S. became even more quick to _____ in Latin America when there was trouble.
16. The Panama Canal _____ has been revised many times. Today, the canal is too small to handle the enormous _____ of shipping, and the _____ of our ships.