

# Becoming a World Power

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## Section 2, Activity 9

### *America Becomes A World Power*

*Look and listen for the answers to the questions below as you watch this video presentation.*

1. Why were Americans interested in overseas expansion? (3 reasons)

2. What name was given to Americans who opposed expansion?

3. Who was responsible for opening U.S. trade with Japan?

What was the effect on Japan?

4. From what country did the U.S. purchase Alaska?

What American was chiefly responsible for this purchase?

What did “the press” call the purchase?

5. How and when did Hawaii become U.S. territory?

6. American newspapers published “sensational” [*exaggerated*] stories, cartoons, and pictures about the revolution in Cuba. What is this type of reporting called?

7. What event started the Spanish-American War?

8. What was the name of the treaty that ended the Spanish-American War?

What territory did the U.S. gain as a result of this treaty?

9. Foreign nations had divided China into “\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_” – areas where one country had exclusive rights to \_\_\_\_\_.

10. What was the purpose of the Open Door policy?

11. What was the purpose of the Boxer Rebellion?

How successful was it?

12. Why did the U.S. want to build a canal across Panama?

13. America had forged from its historic \_\_\_\_\_ a new-born \_\_\_\_\_  
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