Imperialism Web Quest
Go to the assigned links and answer the questions. You may type your answers right on this document.

I. Imperialism and the World
A. Imperialism Map
Answer the following questions based on the map at: http://users.erols.com/mwhite28/1907powr.htm

1. How many different countries have colonies?
2. Which country has the largest colonial empire?

3. Explain the existence of the "white patches" around the globe. Why didn't the Europeans establish colonies in those places? Explain. (Be specific) Which continents did the Europeans dominate? Why?

Percentage of Territories Belonging to the European/US Colonial Powers

(1900)

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Percentage Controlled</th>
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<td>Africa</td>
<td>90.4%</td>
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<td>Polynesia</td>
<td>98.9%</td>
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<td>Asia</td>
<td>56.5%</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>100.0%</td>
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<td>Americas</td>
<td>27.2%</td>
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### Extent of Colonialism

*(1939)*

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<th>Great Britain</th>
<th>France</th>
<th>Belgium</th>
<th>Netherlands</th>
<th>Germany (1914)</th>
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<td>Area in Square Miles</td>
<td>94,000</td>
<td>212,600</td>
<td>11,800</td>
<td>13,200</td>
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<td>Population</td>
<td>45,500,100</td>
<td>42,000,000</td>
<td>8,300,000</td>
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<td>Area of Colonies</td>
<td>13,100,000</td>
<td>4,300,000</td>
<td>940,000</td>
<td>790,000</td>
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<td>Population of Colonies</td>
<td>470,000,000</td>
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### B. Data on colonial empires

Examine the following “Area and Population of Colonies” charts at:
to answer these questions.

1. About how many square miles of territory does France control?

2. What is the TOTAL population controlled by the 5 countries shown in this chart?

3. Based on this information, which country has the largest colonial empire? Why shouldn't this be a surprise? Provide at least two reasons (from what you have learned in class) that could account for why this country had such a large colonial empire. Explain them fully.

### C. Impact of Colonization Data

1. Which 2 areas of the world are almost completely controlled by colonial powers? How do you explain this?

2. Which 2 areas are least controlled by colonial powers? How do you explain this?
D. Conclusions
1. During this time in history, which regions of the world were most sought after by the Europeans? Why? Provide 2 reasons. (Try and think of things going on in Europe that might have influenced their actions abroad.)

2. What kind of an impact do you think the creation of these empires had on the colonizers and the colonized?

II. Imperialism by Region
Part 1: Imperialism in China
A. The Opium War
Answer the questions below based on the reading "The Opium Wars .. found at: http://nationalinterest.org/blog/the-buzz/the-opium-wars-the-bloody-conflicts-destroyed-imperial-china-17212

1. Which 2 countries fought in the Opium Wars?
2. What was the main reason for the conflict between these 2 countries?
3. From the reading, what British actions do you think provoked the war in 1839?
4. What problems did opium cause for the people of China?

B. Treaty of Nanking
Read the 12 provisions of the Treaty of Nanking and the effects of the treaty at: http://www.personal.kent.edu/~ksherwoo/nanking.htm

Answer the questions based on the treaty:

1. How many conditions were favorable to the Chinese? How many conditions were favorable to the British?
2. Which 3 conditions were most favorable to the British (write the condition, not just the number)? Explain why you chose these 3?
3. Describe 3 negative effects the Treaty of Nanking had on China.
4. Go to http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1842canton.html to answer the following question: What did the Chinese people think about this agreement? Explain.
C. Rebellions in China
Go to https://prezi.com/ldtx0mtgdgex/boxer-rebellion-vs-taiping-rebellion/ and fill in the following chart

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<td>Cause of the Rebellion</td>
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<td>Description of Rebellion (who was involved, what happened)</td>
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<td>Effect of the Rebellion</td>
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After completing the chart, answer the following question:
1. What similarities exist between the two rebellions?

Part II: Imperialism in Africa
A. The Berlin Conference, 1884
Answer these questions based on the reading at: http://www.africafederation.net/Berlin_1885.htm
1. List 3 reasons why Europeans wanted to take over Africa?
2. What was the Berlin Conference?
3. What agreements came out of the Berlin Conference?
4. What considerations were made by the Europeans to the native Africans?
5. How will the decisions made at the conference change Africa? Defend your conclusion.
B. Africa Map Comparison

Examine the maps of Africa below to answer the questions

1. What is the main difference between the 2 maps?

2. What part did the Berlin Conference play in the creation of Map 2?
3. What happened to the native African political entities by 1914?

4. According to Map 2-- Which 2 European countries held the most territory in Africa?

Answer the following questions based on the chart, "AFRICA POLITICAL DIVISIONS IN 1913,"

5. What percentage of Africa was colonized by 1913?

6. According to the graph, Which 2 European countries held the most territory in Africa?

7. What percentage of Africa was controlled by the rest of the countries (excluding the 2 countries mentioned in #6)?
C. Link to Today
Compare the partition of Africa map with the map of Africa today (2016)

1. How did the scramble for Africa in the 1800s and 1900s affect the current borders of Africa today? What problems do you think that created?

D. The Boer Wars
Read the excerpt at: [http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/victorians/boer_wars_01.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/victorians/boer_wars_01.shtml) to answer the following questions:

1. Who were the Boers?
2. What caused the Boer Wars?
3. Why was the Boer War extremely controversial in Great Britain?
4. What was the result of the Boer Wars?
E. Final Synthesis Question
Compare European imperialism in Africa and China. What in your opinion are the three most striking similarities? Why? Explain fully.

1.

2.

3.

III. Political Cartoon Analysis
1. Analyze each of the following images by using SOAPSTONE (Speaker, Occasion, Audience, Purpose, Subject, Tone)

![Cartoon A – French Cartoon 1890's](image1)

![Cartoon B – “The Rhodes Colossus”](image2)