

Unit II Questions

- 1. Analyze how and why United States territorial expansion in the 1890s differed from the nation's earlier expansionist moves.*
- 2. Explain the economic, strategic, and intellectual factors sparking American interest in overseas expansion in the latter nineteenth century.*
- 3. Illustrate how the United States reasserted the Monroe Doctrine and promoted Pan-American interests during this era.*
- 4. List the territories acquired by the United States during this era and explain the various processes of acquisition.*
- 5. Analyze the causes, major events, and consequences of the Spanish-American War.*
- 6. List and explain the factors contributing to the growth of American newspapers in the 1890s, noting especially the popularity of "yellow journalism."*

7. Evaluate the performance of President McKinley in resolving international problems.
8. Discuss the treatment and performance of African-American soldiers during the Spanish-American War.
9. Contrast the arguments offered for and against ratification of the treaty ending the Spanish-American War and providing for American colonies.
10. Describe the causes, course, and consequences of the Philippine-American War.
11. Describe the processes by which civil government was established in American territories.
12. Explain the origin and purpose of the Open Door policy in China.
13. Discuss the new role of the United States in Latin America and the various diplomatic approaches of Roosevelt, Taft, and Wilson.

14. Describe the problems Wilson faced in Mexico and whether he handled them responsibly.
15. List and explain the causes of the war in Europe and American reactions to the war.
16. Compare and contrast the arguments of the preparedness advocates and the pacifists.
17. Understand the factors that brought the U.S. into the war and the extent to which German belligerence in the North Atlantic was responsible.
18. Compare American military involvement and wartime losses with those of the major European nations.
19. Determine the reasons for the final military collapse of Germany.
20. Show the ways in which the wartime partnership between citizens and government worked and how the war affected women and African Americans.

21. *Specify the steps by which America mobilized for war.*

22. *Summarize the activities of the War Industries Board, the Committee on Public Information, and the War Labor Board.*

23. *Explain the concessions or sacrifices that Wilson had to make to the other European leaders regarding the peace structuring.*

24. *Define the different goals of the victorious nations at the Paris Peace Conference, and explain how Wilson's goals were incorporated into the treaty.*

25. *Discuss the reasons for the failure of Wilsonian global idealism and the Versailles treaty.*

26. *Reflect on American disillusionment and the decline of the progressive spirit as the 1920s set in.*