

AP US History
Unit 6 (Part 1) Study Guide (Chapters 20-21)
Imperialism and Progressivism

Chapter 20: Becoming a World Power

1. What was the “new imperialism”? What factors contributed to the rise of American imperialism?
2. Why were the island of Hawaii and Samoa important to Americans despite their distance from the continental US?
3. In what ways did the Spanish-American War change America’s relationship to the rest of the world? What territory did the United States gain because of this war?
4. What was the purpose of the “open-door policy” in China?
5. Explain the following:
 - a. Theodore Roosevelt’s “Big Stick Diplomacy”
 - b. William Taft’s “Dollar Diplomacy”
 - c. Woodrow Wilson’s “Moral Diplomacy”

Chapter 21: The Progressive Era, 1901-1917

1. What groups made up the Progressives? What was their philosophy?
2. Define muckraker. List areas in which the muckrakers used their influence.
3. Explain Theodore Roosevelt’s “Square Deal”. In what areas did he focus his policies?
4. Why did socialism begin to appeal to some Americans?
5. Explain Woodrow Wilson’s progressive reform. In what areas did he focus his reform efforts?
6. How did W.E.B. DuBois’s philosophy on race relations differ from that of Booker T. Washington?
7. What role did women and women’s organizations play in the reforms of the progressive era? How did progressive era reforms effect women?