Unit 2 AICE Study Guide – USA and Japan Emerge as World Powers

The Emergence of the USA as a World Power

Key People/Events/Ideas
- U.S. Isolationism
- Monroe Doctrine
- Protectionism
- U.S. Expansionism
- Hawaii
- Alaska
- Yellow Journalism
- U.S.S. Maine
- Spanish-American War
- Cuba
- William McKinley
- Theodore Roosevelt
- William Jennings Bryan
- Panama Canal
- Platt Amendment
- Roosevelt Corollary
- Dollar Diplomacy

1. Why did the USA move away from its traditional isolationist foreign policy in the period 1871-1914?

2. How far was President Theodore Roosevelt responsible for the USA’s move towards a more expansionist foreign policy?

3. How and why does the U.S. become a world power between 1871-1914?

4. How far had the U.S. achieved world power status by 1914?

The Emergence of Japan as a World Power

Key People/Events/Ideas
- Samurai
- Shogun
- Matthew Perry
- Emperor Mutsuhito
- Meiji Restoration
- Private enterprise
- Militarism
- Conscription
- Shintoism
- Shimonoseki Treaty (1895)
- Triple Intervention
- Anglo-Japanese Alliance (1902)
- Sino-Japanese War
- Russo Japanese War
- Port Arthur
- Togo Heihachiro
- Nicholas II
- Treaty of Portsmouth
- Manchuria (1905)
- Korea (1905)

1) What were some of the causes and effects of Japanese modernization after 1871?

2) Why did Japan agree to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance in 1902?

3) What were the reasons for Japan’s interest in China? What were the effects of Japan’s interests in China?

4) To what extent had Japan become a major world power by 1905?

5) Explain why Japan was able to defeat one of the major European powers in the Russo-Japanese War.