Answer the following questions.

1. The Spanish-American (SPAM) War was a historic turning point for the U.S. because it…
2. Severed ties between Cuba and the U.S.
3. Led to the adoption of the Monroe Doctrine
4. Signaled the emergence of the U.S. as a global power
5. Led to the establishment of a standing Army
6. Why did President William McKinley order the USS *Maine* into Havana’s harbor
7. To keep an eye on U.S. investments in sugar, tobacco and mining industries in Cuba
8. To respond to Spain’s declaration of war
9. To protect Cuba’s people against human rights abuses under Spanish rule
10. To help support Cuba’s independence
11. The Rough Riders were led by
12. William McKinley
13. Theodore Roosevelt
14. George Dewey
15. John Hay
16. What did the Monroe Doctrine declare?
17. That the U.S. was destined to stretch from the Atlantic to the Pacific.
18. That the U.S. should work to bring democracy to other nations
19. That the U.S. would step in if Europe interfered anywhere in North or South America
20. The control of overseas colonies contradicted America’s foreign policy
21. Which of the following was NOT a result of the SPAM War?
22. The U.S. annexed Guam and Puerto Rico
23. The U.S. purchased the Philippines from Spain
24. Spain’s empire largely crumbled
25. Cuba became a commonwealth of the U.S.

**Answer the following questions. Use the back of this sheet if necessary.**

Why was the U.S. Government keeping a close eye on events in Cuba in the late 1890’s?

What was “yellow journalism”? How did it influence American attitudes toward the SPAM War?

Should private mercenary troops – like the Rough Riders – be allowed to form units and fight alongside U.S. troops in Afghanistan? Why or why not?

How do you think Americans would react today to a policy of American expansion? Explain.

What do people mean when they call the U.S. the “world’s police officer”? In your opinion, should the U.S. assume that role in today’s world?