

Research Tips for Imperialism Essay

	Questions to Consider	Textbook/Class Information	Websites/Search Suggestions
Ideology	How do we directly see the impact of social Darwinism on the colonies? Evaluate the impact of Cecil Rhodes on the people of Africa.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Congo pdf file on website *See quote by British professor and definition of Social Darwinism on pg. 336. *See quote by Senator Albert Beveridge about the U.S. conquest of the Phillipines on pg. 338. * Quote by King Leopold (notorious tyrant in Africa) about how he hoped to bring civilization on pg. 345 *Segregation of clubs, schools, and churches on pg. 349 *Quote by Thomas Macaulay about how English is the only language worth knowing on pg. 355. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Basic Information on Social Darwinism: http://www.ohiohistorycentral.org/entry.php?rec=1528 *Cecil Rhodes- http://www.ccds.charlotte.nc.us/History/Africa/05/browning/index.html Keywords to Search- Social Darwinism in Africa; Cecil Rhodes; King Leopold
Government	Evaluate the impact of direct vs. indirect rule over the colonies. How did the Berlin Conference set up Africa for problems with independence?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Example of the French direct rule over Vietnam on pg. 338. * Definition of direct vs. indirect rule on pg. 339. *Ottoman Emperor, Muhammad Ali (in Egypt) sets up army, public school system, etc. on pg. 343 *The Berlin Conference met and established territories in Africa with no Africans present on pg. 346 *Boer War on pg. 347 *VERY IMPORTANT (both essay and test)- pros and cons of direct and indirect rule in Africa on pg. 348 *Sepoy Mutiny on pg. 355. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Excellent site with information for both government, economics, and ideology- http://www.crf-usa.org/bria/bria16_2.html (Read the section on King Leopold's "Heart of Darkness") *Background on the Berlin Conference- http://library.thinkquest.org/C004488/edu-BCbg.html * Berlin Conference- http://www.thenagain.info/WebChron/Africa/BerlinConf.html Keywords to Search- French Imperialism of Vietnam 1800s;

		* Power transferred from East India Company to British Parliament on pg. 355	Berlin Conference; King Leopold; Boer War; Supoy Mutiny; British Imperialism of India 1800s
Spirituality/Religion	What effect did Christian missionaries have on the colonies?	*Congo see pdf file on website	Keywords to Search- Christian Missionaries in Nigeria 1800s; Christian Missionaries in India 1800s
Economics	Which markets and raw materials were the imperialists looking for? How did they exploit the people of these countries economically?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * See Quote by Dekker on pg. 336. * See conditions of plantations in Southeast Asia where workers stayed at poverty levels on pg. 340. * Positive aspects of imperialism bringing the modern economic system on pg. 340 * Quote by African King, Lobengula about how he had been cheated by the British government on pg. 343 *Slave trade ended on pg. 343 *French entrepreneur, Ferdinand de Lesseps, signed a contract to help build the Suez Canal (both positive and negative effects) on pg. 344. * Cecil Rhodes desires to build a railroad in Africa on pg. 347 *Africans received only low paying jobs on pg. 349. *Railroads, telegraph, and postal service set up in India on pg. 356 *Indian industry replaced by British industry on pg. 357 *Heavy British taxes on Indians on pg. 357 *British forced Indians to grown cotton instead of food on pg. 357 	Key Terms to Search: Rubber in Africa 1800s; King Leopold; Indigo in India 1800s; Imperial Railroads 1800s; Suez Canal; Cotton in Egypt 1800s; Cotton in India 1800s

Judicial System	Were colonial courts just or unjust? How does this compare with the justice system already in place.	* Example from Nigeria Scenarios (class activity where you were given three choices) where an African King repeatedly brought his case before colonial courts and failed.	Imperial Courts in 1800s
Medicine		* New Drugs found to treat diseases on bottom of pg. 348	Discovery of Malaria treatment in 1800s; Small Pox AND Africa
Societal Values	How did the imperialist change cultural traditions?	*British failed to respect cultural traditions on pg. 357	British and Indian traditions 1800s; French and Vietnamese traditions 1800s; British and Ibo traditions 1800s
Education	What are the positives and negatives of having a western education?	*Benefits of knowing about the western world on pg. 349 This leads to the formation of clubs to fight against western rule *New schools set up in India by Lord Thomas Macaulay on pg. 356 *Despite Education, British could not be considered equals on pg. 357	Imperial Education in Africa; Imperial Education in India