Causes of Imperialism

* **The Old Imperialism** 
  + – when one country controls the political, economic, or cultural life of another country.
  + – area in which an outside power claims exclusive trade privileges.
  + The Old Imperialism was led by and during the 1500s. The imperialized territory was the New World of the Americas.
  + Spain and Portugal were by the three “G’s”:
* **The New Imperialism** 
  + New Conquests
    - The leaders of the new imperialism were , France, Italy, Germany, and Belgium.
    - The setting for the new imperialism was and , from approximately 1870 to 1960.
* **Causes of Imperialism** 
  + Militarism
    - Military power was commonly used to achieve a nation’s
    - Resupply where needed along the west and east coasts of .
    - A nation with more had more power, security, trade, money, and colonial men for their army.
  + Industrialization
    - Industrialists needed more to supply factories and foreign markets where they could sell their products.
    - Industrialists also needed places to their profits, which would multiply their riches.
  + Nationalism
    - National pride led many nations to strive for a world
    - Most Europeans felt their nationality was to that of the Africans and Asians.
    - boasted, “The sun never sets on the British Empire.”
    - wanted to have its “place in the sun.”
  + Religion
    - Christian wanted to help Africans and Asians, and worked to carry the “White Man’s Burden,” which included:
      * Christianizing the natives in order to them.
      * Bringing natives the technological of western civilization.
      * Teaching Africans to and .
  + Social Darwinism
    - •Darwin’s theories of natural selection and survival of the fittest were used by many to imperialism.
    - Many Europeans believed that it was natural and right for strong nations to weaker ones.
    - •Defeating a weaker race, could only the human race.