**Spanish-American War, 1898**

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| **Advantages & Disadvantages** | **Leaders** |
| **USA*** Rising empire
* Industrialization – expansion of markets and need for raw materials
* Close proximity to Cuba

**Spain*** Declining empire
* Rebellious populations in Cuba & Philippines
 | **USA** **Civilian:** William McKinley **Military:** Theodore Roosevelt, Commodore George Dewey**Spain** **Civilian:** Alfonso XIII **Military:** Valeriano Weyler (general who instituted “reconcentration” policy) |
| **Causes** | **Strategies** |
| **Long Term*** Manifest Destiny & Monroe Doctrine
* Sympathy for Cuban rebels under brutal “reconcentration” policy
* US investment in and trade with Cuba
* de Lome letter
* Yellow journalism (Hearst & Pulitzer)
* Nationalism/jingoism

**Short Term/”Spark”*** Explosion of *USS Maine*
* “Remember the *Maine*, to hell with Spain!”
 | **USA*** Blockade Cuba & quickly destroy Spanish fleet at Manila
* Use army to capture Spanish territory
* Alliance with Filipino & Cuban rebels

**Spain*** n/a
* Spain was quickly defeated
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| **Turning Points** | **Homefront** |
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| **Battle/Event** | **Significance** |
| Battle of San Juan Hill, 1898Battle of Manila, 1898 | Teddy Roosevelt’s Rough Riders and Buffalo Soldiers take control of CubaGeorge Dewey destroyed Spain’s Pacific fleet, Filipinos aided U.S. in kicking Spanish out of Philippines |

 | * Primary example of U.S. imperialism; ignited debate between “jingoes” (Theodore Roosevelt, etc.) and anti-imperialists (Mark Twain, William Jennings Bryan, etc.)
* *Insular Cases*: Does citizenship “follow the flag”?
* Later immigration of Puerto Ricans and Filipinos to the U.S.
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| **Treaty** | **Non-Treaty Results** |
| **Name:** Treaty of Paris**Date:** 1898**Terms:*** Spain lost its empire
* U.S. gained Philippines, Guam & Puerto Rico
* U.S. paid Spain $20 million
 | * “Splendid little war” – short in duration, few American casualties, military unity after divisions of the Civil War
* Filipino-American War, 1899-1902
* Cuba became U.S. protectorate under the Platt Amendment
* U.S. naval bases: Manila, Guantanamo
* Hawaii was annexed during war due to importance of Pearl Harbor to U.S. navy
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