

# IMPERIALISM IN Africa & Asia

## SUMMARY

- The Taiping Rebellion in China was the deadliest war of the 19th century.
- Japan adopted many western ways and became a world power.
- Britain and France continued to practice imperialism in Africa and Asia. The Zulu in South Africa and people in India fought against imperialism, but failed. Indian groups continued to fight for independence.
- The United States became a colonial power when it took over lands in the Pacific Ocean.

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## VOCABULARY

1. **Imperialism** is control of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. drinking water    c. powerful weapons  
b. foreign lands    d. religious beliefs

2. A **sphere of influence** was an area of a country in which a foreign nation had \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. class systems    c. special trading rights  
b. total control    d. codes of law

3. The **Taiping Rebellion** was a fight for reform in \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. India    c. Cambodia  
b. Burma    d. China

4. The **Meiji Restoration** ended the rule of \_\_\_\_ in Japan.  
a. shoguns    c. emperors  
b. presidents    d. queens

## COMPREHENSION

1. Egypt was a protectorate, which meant that the British had no Control over the Egyptian government.  
2. The British East India Company gained much control over India.  
3. The Opium War forced the Chinese to open more of their port cities to Great Britain.  
4. The French did not set up any colonies in Southeast Asia.  
5. The United States was a colonial power in the Philippines.  
6. Matthew Perry asked Japan to not trade with the United States.

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## CRITICAL THINKING

### POINTS OF VIEW

1. Africa should be colonized because we need its raw materials for our businesses.  
2. African colonies would add power and glory to our nation.  
3. We must protect our land from the Boers.  
4. African nations should be independent.  
5. Many African ethnic groups can be placed into one colony.

## SKILL BUILDER: READING A POLITICAL MAP

A political map shows how areas of land are divided. Some political maps show how land is divided into nations. Lines are used to show the borders between nations. Different colors are used to show different nations. This map shows what nations controlled parts of Asia and Australia in 1914.



## WRITING

Imperialism caused some good effects and some bad effects in Africa and Asia. Write a paragraph about either Africa or Asia explaining **two good effects** and **two bad effects** of imperialism in this region.