Unit 1: Imperialism and World War One

Review Guide Answer Key

**Standard 1.A. I can *describe*what motivated the United States to play a more significant role on the world stage**

1. What pushed America into expansion/imperialism?

**Manifest Destiny- it was the US’ destiny or right to expand westward**

**Monroe Doctrine- Europe was warned to stay out of the Western Hemisphere**

2. Why did America enter into World War One?

**The sinking of the Lusitania/Germany was sinking American ships without warning**

**Standard 1.B. I can *analyze*the role of the media and propaganda used between 1890 and 1918.**

3. What is Yellow Journalism?

**When media use exaggerations to report news in order to sell newspapers**

4. How did Yellow Journalism play a role in the Spanish-American War?

**The yellow journalists used the sinking of the USS Maine to convince Americans that it was the work of an enemy and made it look like that enemy was Spain. It made people want to call for war against Spain.**

5. What did the American government use propaganda posters during World War One?

**The government used the posters to persuade Americans to participate in and support the war effort**

6. What were some of the areas of concern addressed in the Propaganda posters?

**- rationing food and supplies -signing up for military**

**-financing the war - working in war industries**

**Standard 1.C. I can *summarize*American involvement in World War One and how it affected its citizens.**

7. How was the American economy affected by World War One?

**Rationing, peacetime industries became wartime industries (creating tanks, weapons, ammunition, uniforms, etc.), women and minorities entered the workforce, Americans were asked to buy Liberty Bonds to help finance the war**

8. What news laws/rules were created in America during the time of World War One?

**Espionage Act- Cannot interfere with the draft**

**Sedition Act- Cannot speak out against your country or government during a time of war**

9. Which groups of people were affected during World War One the most?

**Women and minorities- entered the workforce in factories making supplies needed for the war. Many minorities moved North from the Southern states looking for work- known as the Great Migration**

**Standard 1.D. I can *critique*the results of the conclusion of World War One.**

10. What was the Treaty of Versailles?

**Document that ended WWI**

11. How did the Treaty of Versailles affect Europe?

**Germany was blamed entirely for the war and were forced to pay reparations to the Allies, reduce its military, and give all of its colonies to the rest of Europe**

12. What were President Wilson’s goals at the end of World War One?

**Wilson’s big goal was to join the League of Nations and protect the world for democracy**

13. Why was there a debate over the League of Nations?

**Some Congress members did not want to be a part of the League of Nations because that meant the US would have to join any wars or conflict that other nations involved in the League were in, even if it did not affect them.**