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**Spanish American War**

**Webquest**

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**Background:** *With the closing of the western frontier, Americans developed favorable attitudes toward foreign expansion. Pushed along by global competition for markets and prestige, an expanded navy and a sense of cultural superiority, the United States engaged in a series of overseas actions which fostered its move to global power status. The annexation of Hawaii followed by a successful conclusion to the Spanish-American War allowed the United States to join other nations in imperialist ventures.*

**Directions:**Working in groups of four, you and your partners will be responsible for creating a magazine supporting or refuting the idea that the Spanish American War was a “splendid little war” as Secretary of State John Hay described. Group members will be responsible to contribute to the final piece in the following areas:

- A background on the causes of the war  
- A look at the major battle of the war from a battles correspondent  
- A piece that is in opposition to the war  
- A look at photographs from the war

\*Group members should be certain to use the corresponding web links to help research for your respective areas.\*

The following web-link will allow you to begin your work in the lab:

[***http://civclients.com/nehint/spanam/***](http://civclients.com/nehint/spanam/)