**Overseas Expansion**

For this activity, we will be getting into character. Your job will be to take the perspective of a fervent imperialist or a dedicated anti-imperialist. For either choice, research a real island in the Pacific or create a fictitious one. Then, compose a 1-2 page editorial for a newspaper arguing for why we should shouldn’t imperialize the island. Offer as many reasons and evidence you can think of. **Make sure that it references the concepts we learned throughout the unit and uses language that would be accurate for the time.**

Things to do….

* Research an island
* Examine reasons for and against imperialism
	+ Check out “Platform of the Anti-Imperialist League”
* Look at real editorials to get a feel for what they are.

Rubric – Summative

Concept Usage – 1 2 3 4 5

Language/Mechanics – 1 2 3 4 5

Historical Accuracy -- 1 2 3 4 5