

# U.S. Involvement in the Pacific

## China

### Sphere of Influence

1. In the late 1800s, European countries had divided China into *spheres of influence*. What does this term mean?  
areas where another nation has economic & political control

### The Open Door Policy

2. Who introduced the idea of the "Open Door Policy"?  
U.S. Secretary of State John Hay
3. What is meant by an Open Door Policy?  
guarantee the rights of all nations to trade with China on an equal basis
4. How did the other nations respond to this policy?  
the response was cautious, most saying neither yes or no
5. What did Hay say about the outcome?  
That it had been accepted

### The Boxer Rebellion

6. What was the name of the secret society formed by Chinese that resented foreign influence?  
Righteous & Harmonious Fists
7. What was the European name for this group? How did they get this name?  
Boxers, because they performed ceremonial exercises that resembled shadowboxing
8. Describe what happened during the rebellion of this secret society in the spring of 1900.  
The rebellion was to expel foreigners. Backed by China's gov't they attacked & killed westerners & Chinese Christians. Mobs burned churches & homes of foreigners. Hundreds of foreigners & some 2,000 Chinese sought safety in a walled section of Beijing.
9. What eventually happened that ended the rebellion?  
Outside powers, including the U.S., sent in 18,000 troops armed with modern weapons, they freed trapped foreigners, crushed the rebellion, looted the capital & killed thousands of Chinese
10. Was the rebellion successful?  
No.
11. What was the result of the rebellion?  
More land was seized in the Chinese territory