

The Spanish American War Day 2

Spanish Colonies

- Spain held overseas _____ since the 1500's
- The _____, Guam, Cuba, Puerto Rico among the last of Spain's holdings in 1890's
- _____ revolutionaries led by José Martí begin a war for independence

American Interest

- _____ had spent time in the US and built support for Cuba
- Spanish Governor Valeriano _____ seen as a "butcher"
- Americans _____ to Cuban cause
- US (since _____) wanted Europeans out of the West

Yellow Journalism

- Major _____ led by rivals William Randolph Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer battled for sales
- They relied on _____ headlines

The De Lome Letter

- Spanish Ambassador de Lome writes that American President McKinley is _____
- _____ intercept it and release it to the American press
- _____ sensationalizes the insult in his papers

The USS Maine

- President _____ send the battleship USS Maine to Havana Harbor to "protect American interests"
- The ship suddenly _____ in February 1898, killing most of the crew

American Reaction

- _____ papers immediately blame Spain and call for war
- In April, 1898, McKinley asks Congress for authorization to use _____ in Cuba
- _____ later declares war on the US

War Begins

- Commodore George _____ leads American fleet to the Philippines
- US defeats Spanish at _____ on May 1

Victory in the Philippines

- Dewey enlists the help of Filipino revolutionary _____
- Aguinaldo rallies _____ to rebel against Spanish rule
- _____ declared in June 1898

War in the Caribbean

- US troops land at _____ Bay in June

