

▶ **Aim**: Has the United States been a good neighbor to Latin America?

▶ **Do Now**: Describe the qualities/behaviors of a good neighbor?

Latin America

- ▶ **Mexico**. Gulf of Mexico.
- ▶ **Caribbean**. Antilles. Greater Antilles. Lesser Antilles. Bahamas.
- ▶ **Central America**. Isthmus of Panama. Mosquito Coast.
- ▶ **South America**. Altiplano. Amazon basin. Andes. Atacama Desert. Brazilian Highlands. Caribbean South America. Gran Chaco. Guianas. Llanos. Pampas. Pantanal. Patagonia.
- ▶ Romance Languages - (a language derived from Latin) Spanish, Portuguese, French, and the Creole languages



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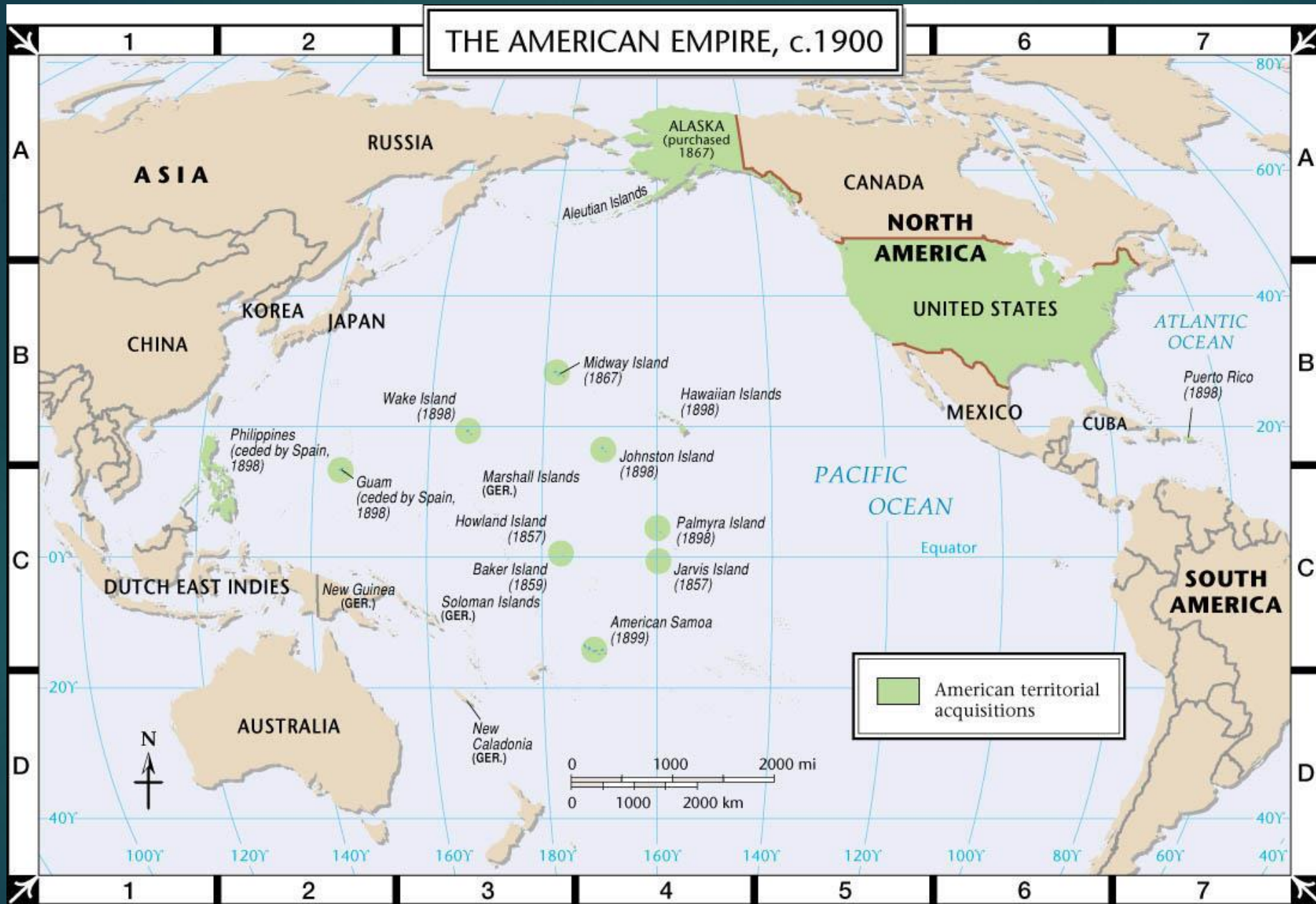
U.S. Latin American Relations

- ▶ **Monroe Doctrine (1823)** – The Western Hemisphere is closed to any further European colonization.
- ▶ **Spanish-American War (1898)**– Cuba gained independence from Spain. The U.S. could intervene in Cuban Affairs

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- ▶ **Panama Canal (1903)** – U.S. got land for canal by encouraging a revolt in Panama against Colombia
- ▶ **Roosevelt Corollary (1904)** to Monroe Doctrine: U.S. would intervene in Latin America to prevent European powers from doing so to collect debts – first applied in Dominican Republic - 1904.

THE AMERICAN EMPIRE, c.1900





THE BIG STICK IN THE CARIBBEAN SEA

Teddy Roosevelt – “Big Stick Policy”

“Speak softly and carry a big stick”





Panama Canal – U.S. Canal Zone 1904-1914



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▶ Who was William Gorgas? G. W. Goethals?

▶ [YouTube - Panama Canal Timelapse](#)

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- ▶ threat of aggression is an effective way of achieving American Foreign Policy goals. Negotiation is more effective when done so from a position of strength.