

Expansionism	The policy of enlarging the territory of the United States.
Foreign Policy	A policy for dealing with international affairs.
<i>The Maine</i>	A U.S. battleship that was stationed in Havana Harbor. It mysteriously exploded in 1898. It was thought the Spanish were to blame, but speculation still exists as to what actually happened to <i>The Maine</i> . This mysterious tragedy claimed 268 lives.
Rough Riders	The name given to the 1st U.S. Volunteer Cavalry. This group was led by Theodore Roosevelt.
Treaty of Paris of 1898	This treaty was signed in December of 1898 but was not ratified or approved until February of 1899. The treaty gave the United States control of Guam and Puerto Rico. In addition, the United States paid \$20 million for the control of the Philippines. Cuba became independent of Spain.
Yellow Journalism	Journalism that exaggerates or embellishes stories to gain readers.

People To Know

William Randolph Hearst	Owner of the newspaper <i>The New York Journal</i> . He had anti-Spain stories printed that sensationalized and exaggerated things the Spanish were doing to the Cubans. He was in competition with Pulitzer for readers and these pro-war stories attracted many readers.
Joseph Pulitzer	Owner of the newspaper <i>The New York World</i> . He had anti-Spain stories printed that sensationalized and exaggerated things that the Spanish were doing to the Cubans. He was in competition with Hearst for readers and these pro-war stories attracted many readers.
Theodore Roosevelt	He was the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, but resigned his post to join and lead the 1st U.S. Volunteer Cavalry. He later went on to become the 26th President of the United States in 1901 after President McKinley was assassinated.
President William McKinley	He was President of the United States from 1897–1901. President McKinley declared war for the liberation of Cuba from Spain. He also signed the 1898 Treaty of Paris. He was later killed tragically in 1901 by an antigovernment individual or anarchist.