Write a substantial (600 words minimum) response to the given prompt, answering all questions in essay form. **\*\*This primary post is worth 15 pts.\*\*** In that response, include at least ONE quote from each of your sources: **the lecture, film, and/or document(s)** assigned (with parenthetical citation)  **AND** create one study question of your own based on the content of the sources that you would like students reading your post to respond to. Also you must write a minimum of 2 replies to initial posts written by 2 different classmates and answer the question that they posed (100 word minimum each). **\*\*These secondary posts are worth 5 pts each\*\* All  posts must be on time.** **Discussion Boards will close after their due date and time and there will be no late posts accepted.\*\*\***

At the following Link, view the PBS Documentary "Crucible of Empire: The Spanish American War"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8g8NpQsmxj4

A transcript of the documentary can be accessed as this site:

<http://www.pbs.org/crucible/frames/_film.html>

You are also required to read the following primary documents:

<http://sourcebooks.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/1898beveridge.asp> Albert Beveridge: "The March of the Flag, 1898"

<http://www.unz.org/Pub/NorthAmericanRev-1899jan-00001>  Andrew Carnegie, "Americanism versus Imperialism, 1899"

<http://historymatters.gmu.edu/d/58/>  Excerpts from Letters from African American Soldiers fighting in the Philippines

Answer the following study questions in a 600-word-minimum essay, quoting the documentary film and your three primary sources from above at least once each in the essay to help support your conclusions. Make sure you provide parenthetical citations of your sources after all quoted materials. Do not answer in bullet points or in a numbered list. I want this composed as an essay. At the end of your essay you must post a study question of your own for your fellow students to consider and answer in their response posts.

1. Give FULL identification of the documentary film and the primary documents : When were they written and/or produced? by whom? where? why? who were the intended audiences? (Review the powerpoint on Vetting Your Sources)

2. What were the various reasons portrayed in the film as to why Americans favored America's  entrance into the Imperial Age? Who opposed America's foray into Imperialism and why?

3. What role did world events, i.e., actions and/or inactions of the Empires of Europe, have on America's entrance into war with Spain? How was America's involvement in Cuba both similar and different than our involvement in the Philippines?

4. What have you learned about the Spanish American War and the Philippine "Insurgency" that you did not know before? How might American history have been different had the events of the Philippine American War been recognized and studied rather than hidden, denied and revised? Explain your answer.

**\*\*\*Click on the Bluish-Green Colored title of "Disc Board #1" to open up the window where you will click on CREATE YOUR OWN THREAD. I recommend you write your essay FIRST on a word processing program and either copy and paste it into the submission window OR upload your saved file instead. Either options is okay with me.\*\*\***

**Your essay based on my prompt for this assignment is DUE FRIDAY 6/30 and you responses to two fellow students are due SUNDAY 7/2\*\*\***

**DO NOT FORGET TO FINISH YOUR ENTRY WITH A STUDY QUESTION OF YOUR OWN**