

- I. Background information
- A. Alaska was purchased by the U.S. from Russia in 1867 for 7 million dollars.
- B. Because of Alaska's rich natural resources, its purchase turned out to be very profitable to the U.S.
- 1. People known as expansionists began to push for the United States to expand their territory around the globe.
 - 2. They saw the potential rich benefits to be gained.
- * **Note interaction**: In the left margin, write down or draw pictures of natural resources that Alaska might have which would be valuable.



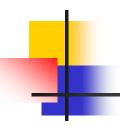
II. Imperialism

A. Imperialism is the practice of a country seeking to extend its power or influence over other governments.



- B. Major types of imperialism
- 1. Economic- seeking to gain control of a country's natural resources or its workers for one's own financial gain.
- a. This would help set up the country as a colony of the mother country.
- b. Goods could then also be sold to the people in the colony so the mother country could earn more money.

- 2. Political- seeking to exercise power and control over the government of another country. This could be done using a strong military.
- 3. Cultural- seeing the other culture as "backward", "uncivilized," and seeking to force one's own culture or religion there.
- Note interaction: <u>Draw a picture</u> of each type of imperialism occurring. <u>Label each</u> and **draw a circle** around which type you believe would be the most dominant.



Summary

 Create a 2-3 sentence summary of the notes at the bottom of your paper.