



Imperialism in the 1800s: The Pacific Rim

China

- China began losing its balance of trade
 - Britain began importing (smoked version of heroine)
 - Chinese economy and society began collapsing
 - Chinese banned opium but British
- Results in
 - Chinese warships attacked opium traders
 - British warships easily defeated Chinese
 - British took control of
 - Opened door for other countries to gain leverage



Chinese Opium Den

China

- Weakness of the Qing leads to
 - Rebels take control of large areas for 14 years
 - Qing gov't retakes control with help of
 - In return for help, Qing have to
 - Rebellion lets Europeans claim more land
- China debated modernizing until losing to Japan in the Sino-Japanese War
 - Japan takes
 - Reformers launch to modernize the country
 - After 100 days traditionalists end the reforms

China

- When traditionalists couldn't deal with the foreigners, started
 - Chinese simultaneously attacked across the country to
 - put down the rebellion and took more power away from China
 - Forced the Chinese to begin modernizing
- In 1911, the Qing Dynasty collapses and (western-style gov't) is established

South-east Asia

- Europeans began grabbing resource-rich areas
 - Dutch had taken Malacca in the 1600s
 - Britain takes Singapore (bordering India colony) and vital port of Malacca
 - France takes Indochina (French Indochina)
- Siam was the sole escapee
 - Accepted unequal treaties from Europeans
 - Used the time to modernize
 - Once modernized, Siam destroyed the unequal treaties



Latin America

- failed to come from independence movements
 - between social classes
 - People identified with local regions, leading to
- Example:
 - Local warlord Santa Anna built a dictatorship
 - Following defeat in war with US, liberals try making modern reforms, starting a civil war
 - Seeking stability, they turned to for guidance

Latin America

- During colonization, Europeans kept Latin America from economic independence
- After independence Europeans & the US sent to do the same
- Came to be known as economic imperialism
 - Manipulating another country's own profit for your
 - Led to of local governments
 - Kept poor people poor and prevented

