Map Assignment – U.S. Imperialism in the Caribbean and the Pacific

There are two maps to be completed for this assignment: one of the Caribbean region and one of the Pacific region. The purpose of this map assignment is to show you the areas that came under U.S. ownership or were heavily influenced by the United States in the years 1865-1917

Map #1: The U.S. in the Caribbean, 1865-1917

Locate and label the following accurately:

Atlantic Ocean

Caribbean Sea

Gulf of Mexico

Pacific Ocean

Puerto Rico

Haiti

Dominican Republic

Bahamas

Virgin Islands

Florida

Key West

Colombia

Santiago de Cuba

Havana

Guantanamo Bay

Panama

Panama Canal Zone

Panama City

Cuba

Nicaragua

Venezuela

El Salvador

Costa Rica

Mexico

Mexico City

Honduras

The United States

Washington D.C.

San Juan Hill

Location of the sinking of the U.S.S. Maine

Color one color all those areas considered U.S. possessions by 1917. Make a key.

For each possession label the year in which the U.S. acquired it

Using a second, distinct color, color one color all of those areas where the U.S. had significant influence by 1917. Influence can be military presence, economic influence, or political influence. Include in the key.

Be sure to give the map a specific title.

Map #2: The U.S. in the Pacific, 1865-1917

Do not worry about drawing in the boundary lines for the countries, but do place their names in an accurate location. It is particularly difficult to precisely place small islands on your map. You may need to use latitude; longitude locations to accurately place the islands.

Locate and label the following accurately:

The United States

Russia

China

Japan

Korea

Australia

Hawaii

Alaska

Guam

Philippine Islands

Midway Islands

American Samoa

Aleutian Islands

Bering Sea

South China Sea

Yellow Sea

Wake Island

Sakhalin

Johnston Island

Palmyra Island

French Indochina

Bering Strait

Hong Kong

Taiwan

Manila

Color one color all of the areas which were acquired by the United States by 1917. Please do not use a separate color for each acquisition. Label each with the year in which it was acquired. Include a key.

Be sure to give your map a specific title