Imperialism & WWI Vocabulary

alliance - an agreement between countries to help each other

annexation - adding land to your country

canal - a man-made waterway

empire - a group of countries controlled by one country

expansion - making something bigger

foreign policy - guidelines for how a country handles political and economic interactions with other countries

imperialism - extending your country's power by controlling other countries

isolationism - when a country stays out of the affairs of other countries

militarism - building up an army or navy and using it to control your country or empire

nationalism - an intense devotion to a national or ethnic identity

neutral - not taking any sides

protectorate - a country that is controlled and protected by another country

rebellion - violent resistance to government

reparations - debts imposed on a defeated nation to pay for harm done during war