

Guiding Questions

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Document A: Reconcentration Camps

1. **Sourcing:** Given that in the U.S. there was an ongoing debate about whether the U.S. should intervene in Cuba, why might Lee have chosen to send this account to Washington?
2. **Close Reading:** Notice the graphic descriptions of the account. How do these details about the camp conditions affect you as you read? Why might these descriptions be so detailed?
3. **Contextualization:** How do you think U.S. government officials might have reacted to this description of the reconcentration camps?

Document B: March of the Flag

1. **Sourcing:** This speech is part of a political campaign. How does that influence what you can expect of it?
2. **Close Reading:** What do the following phrases suggest about Beveridge's view of Americans as compared with people of other nations?
 - a) "noble land that God has given us"
 - b) "applies only to those who are capable of self-government"
 - c) "civilization is dawning, at last, for them"
3. **Contextualizing:** According to Beveridge, what else was going on in the U.S. and the rest of the world that made expansion a good idea?