**Speech for the *Society of Western Imperialists and Colonizers***

It is 1900 and you have been invited to give a keynote speech at a gathering of the Society of Western Imperialists and Colonizers (SWIC). You have been invited to represent your country either because of your ambitions for power and world domination OR because your country is one of the nations that has been subject to the imperialistic ambitions of the West.

At minimum, your speech must contain the following information in any logical order that you choose to present it:

* Who you are and what role you play in your country?
* What your country’s position is on imperialism and colonization?
* What relationship you have with the nation(s) you have colonized or over which you have a sphere of influence or that have colonized your country?
* What relationship you have with other imperialist nations?
* What is your personal or country’s philosophy on imperialism/colonization?
* What problems or issues have arisen for your country as a result of your activities or those of the countries who have dominated yours?
* What do you see as the future of imperialism?

In this speech you will be graded on how well and thoroughly you answer the above questions (factual support, comprehensive treatment of the issues, and accuracy of information), as well as the following:

* Characterization (do you sound like the person you represent?)
* Organization (is your speech well organized with a logical sequence of information?)
* Preparation (are you familiar with your speech and ready on the day you deliver it?)
* Elocution (enunciation, pronunciation, volume, voice modulation)
* Eye contact (are you reading or are you looking at the audience?)
* Body Language (?)

You will receive a rubric that details how each of these items will be graded.