

Japan

- Modernization: U.S., under Commodore Matthew Perry opens Japan to ships

America protected its economic, political and territorial interests by restricting Japan's growth:

- 1) President Teddy Roosevelt mediated **Treaty of Portsmouth** to protect American economic interests in the region
- 2) U.S. agreed to Japanese takeover of Korea if they ignored interests in Philippines
- 3) U.S. discrimination of Japanese school children was a setback in relation, until Gentlemen's Agreement
- 4) Root-Takahira Agreement – no attempt would be made to seize the other's possessions