

4.4 America on the World Stage

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Objective

Build the skills to explain **early foreign policy** 早期外交.

You must be able to:

- state what the United States was struggling to create
- name the three means of seeking control over the Western Hemisphere
- explain why American Indian removal appears in a foreign-policy key concept
- state what the Monroe Doctrine is an example of

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ The struggle

Struggling to create an independent global presence, the United States sought to claim territory throughout the North American continent and promote foreign trade. "Struggling" —the CED describes an ambition not yet realised.

■ Three means

Military actions, American Indian removal, and diplomatic efforts such as the Monroe Doctrine.

■ Removal in foreign policy

The CED lists removal among the means of seeking **control over the Western Hemisphere**. Placing it there records that the United States treated American Indian nations as an obstacle to continental control rather than as a domestic matter.

■ The Monroe Doctrine

The CED's example of a **diplomatic** effort. A declaration is an instrument of policy even without force behind it.

2 Practice

2.1 State what the United States was struggling to create. [2]

2.2 Name the three means of seeking control over the Western Hemisphere. [3]

2.3 Removal appears among these means.

(a) State what the placement records. [2]

(b) State what the Monroe Doctrine exemplifies. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 The CED describes the United States as [1]

- **A** struggling to create an independent global presence
- **B** already dominant
- **C** uninterested in trade
- **D** withdrawn

3.2 The Monroe Doctrine is given as an example of [1]

- **A** a diplomatic effort
- **B** a military action
- **C** a tariff
- **D** a court decision

3.3 A declaration is issued that the country lacks the power to enforce.

(a) State whether it is still policy. [1]

(b) Explain the reasoning.

[2]

4 Go further

- work through the **4.4 America on the World Stage** lesson on the **Learn** page;
- read the **Period 4: 1800-1848** section of the AP US History handout on the **Know** page.

Solutions

2.1 an independent global presence, by claiming territory throughout the North American continent and promoting foreign trade.

2.2 military actions; American Indian removal; diplomatic efforts such as the Monroe Doctrine.

2.3 (a) that the United States treated American Indian nations as an obstacle to continental control rather than as a purely domestic matter. (b) a diplomatic effort.

3.1 A. struggling.

3.2 A. diplomatic.

3.3 (a) yes. (b) it states a position other powers must take into account, and the CED classes it as a diplomatic effort regardless of enforcement capacity.