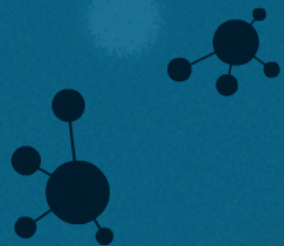


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# *What Was It*

The Americans had great interest in Cuba for mainly one reason which was the production of Sugar in Cuba. The U.S. had bought a large portion of Cuba to be in charge of the production of sugar. The U.S. did not like the crisis that the Spanish were imposing on the Cubans and took action by declaring war on in the Cuba

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## *Cause of the War*

As the U.S. began to purchase parts of land in Cuba to increase the amount of sugar production, the Spanish began to move the Cuban population. The war was finally declared on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898 when the Spanish sunk one of the U.S's naval ships in Cuba.

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## *Pros*

The U.S. won the war after a few months, when they won they won the Independence of Guam and Puerto Rico to the U.S.

It also allowed the purchase of the Philippines Islands to the U.S.

They bought the Philippines islands for \$25 million.

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## *Who Benefitted*

The real winner of everything would have to be the U.S. They won land and did it at very little cost, they only paid \$20 million for the Philippines Islands. They defeated the Spanish in very few months and made them lose a very important part of their empire that was physically in Spain.

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## *The Loser*

The Spanish Empire

They lost land and every business relationship they had with the islands in the Caribbean.



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# *Imperialism*

The United States pretty much was already taking advantage of Cuba by going to their land and beginning to start sugar businesses that benefited them. The only reason they actually started a war was because the sunken naval ship they had in Cuba. The U.S. invited themselves to the Carribean and took a lot of land at very little cost.