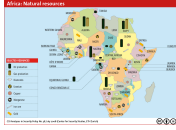


## Notes 4.1

### E,S,P, and O Causes of Imperialism

#### Economic factors:

- 1) Want for natural resources (coal, iron, gold, diamonds, etc...)



- 2) New '**markets**' to sell finished goods in

### Social Factors:

- 1) Social Darwinism/Racism = Europeans believed they were superior to others races/cultures  
"Survival of the fittest"
- 2) Religious missionaries traveled to places like Africa & Asia to convert natives to their religion



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### Political Factors:

- 1) Nationalism = Europeans viewed an "empire" as a measure of national greatness
- Competition emerged between Western European nations to gain colonies



### "Other" Factors:

- 1) Industrial Revolution provided the technology (guns/transportation) needed to take over/control new territory



- 2) Industrialization caused a demand for raw materials

## Notes 4.1

### **Mercantilism**

- Economic system of Imperialism
- Used by Countries which have colonies

**Mercantilism** = economic system based on a *favorable balance of trade*.



**Favorable Balance of Trade** = you export (sell) more than you import (buy)

### *Diagram of Mercantilism*

Colony

Mother Country