

Answers

1. Partition of Africa 1885-1914
2. To divide up
3. Europe
4. Great Britain and France
5. World War I began
6. They are not controlled by a European power, they are labeled independent which means free of control by others.
7. Answers will vary but might include: Their natural resources can provide a lot of wealth, controlling territory makes a nation more powerful, if neighbors are doing it you need to keep up with them, etc
8. Answers will vary but ought to give compelling reasons
9. Expensive, because you need to be able to defend it from other invaders, must help with governmental operations, must send representatives, etc