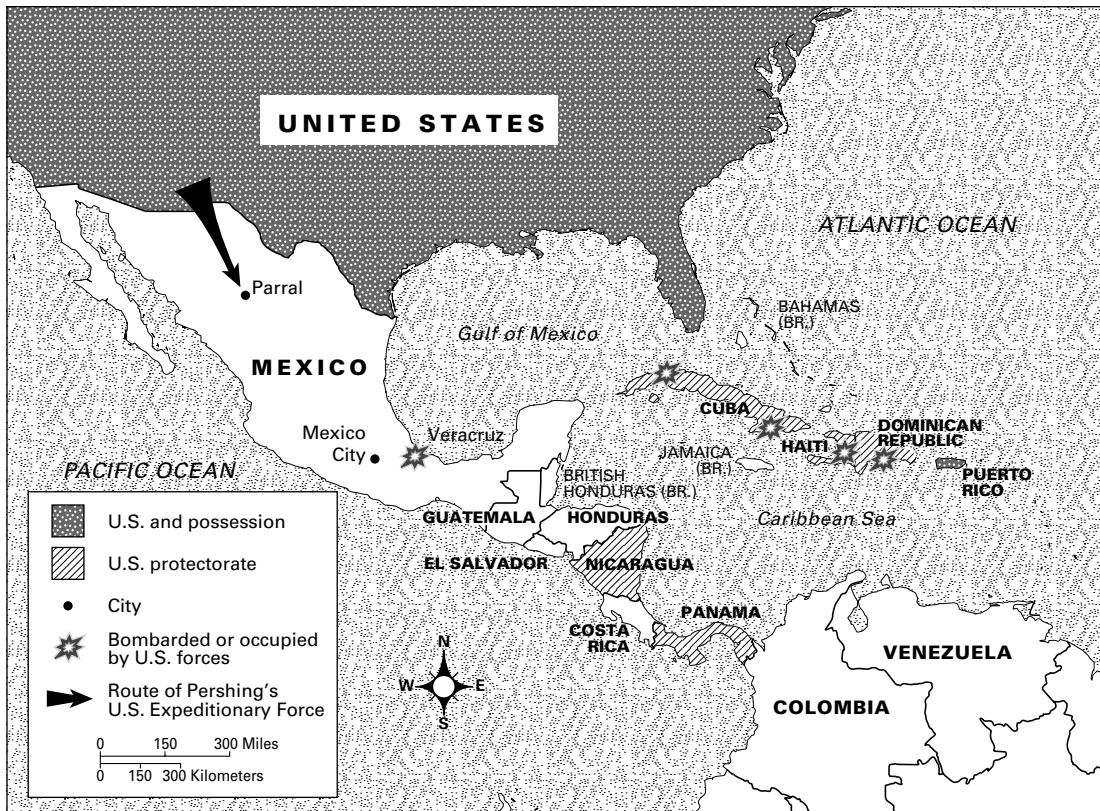


Territories in Latin America

Much of U.S. foreign policy in the early 1900s focused on protecting the nation's interests in Latin America. To enforce its policies, the United States often attacked or occupied different areas in this region. Then in 1916 and 1917, General John Pershing led an expedition to capture Mexican rebels who opposed the United States.



MAP ACTIVITY

1. In which direction were Pershing's forces moving? Write a letter or letters on the arrow to show this direction.
2. Circle the areas U.S. forces bombarded or occupied.
3. Shade in the largest country located between the United States and one of its protectorates.
4. Circle the Caribbean island that was a U.S. possession.

ANALYZING MAPS

1. Location Which city in Mexico was bombarded or occupied by U.S. troops?

2. Place Name one area that was probably controlled by a nation other than the United States.

3. Movement What forms of transportation would the United States need to attack Cuba? Why?

4. Making Generalizations What generalizations can you form about nations located in the Caribbean Sea?

5. Making Judgments The United States took control of the largest islands in the Caribbean. Why do you think the United States took the largest islands?

EXTENSION ACTIVITY

Write an editorial that states why the United States should or should not control areas in Latin America. Be sure to provide several reasons to support your answer.