

History 441
Devine

WRITING ASSIGNMENT #1

Complete the assignment below based on the reading thus far in Lamb and Tarling, *From Versailles to Pearl Harbor* (but particularly chapters 2 and 3).

You should type the assignment and either print it and give it to me in class or email it to me as an attachment before class begins. [my email address is twd@pacbell.net]

Choose **China**, **Japan**, or **Great Britain** as country "X" and answer as completely as you can the questions below:

- 1) What did country "X" want?
(You might consider dividing its "wants" into the short- mid- or long-term.)
- 2) Why did country "X" want these things?
(This is really about context – how did the nation's past experiences shape its "wants" in the present and for the future.)
- 3) Why was it difficult for country "X" to get what it wanted?
(You might consider whether it was difficult due to domestic political reasons or due to the international situation at the time.)