

# Imperialism, Racism, Social Darwinism

**Task:** Creating a chart of words ending in *-ism*

**Purpose:** To learn a strategy for analyzing the *-ism* words and how they are applied in the Scramble For Africa

**Instructions:** *imperialism, racism, and Social Darwinism*—all end in the suffix *-ism*. This suffix is used to create nouns from other nouns, adjectives, or verbs and it has several meanings, including “doctrine or theory” and “act or practice.”

**Directions:** students work in groups of four to create a chart including the key term, the meaning of the suffix, the meaning of the word, and how that *-ism* was used in chapter. Brainstorm other *-ism* words and add them to their charts.

**Completed charts may look like this:**

Word	Meaning of Suffix	Meaning of Word	Use in 11.1	Page #
<i>Imperialism</i>	<i>act</i>	...		