The End to Imperialism Task

**Gifted students will identify concepts that cross disciplines as they apply basic principles of presenting a defensible argument.**

Your country has been suffering under Imperialism rule for some time now. You are tired of being run by a foreign power, or having your economy controlled by a foreign power. You decide to rebel, and decide to convince your countrymen to join your cause with a well thought out speech.

**Directions:** Choose a country that was affected by Imperialism by being controlled in some way by a foreign power. Do research on your country, and find a rebel leader to emulate, or create your own rebel leader. Research the conflict and be aware of the problems in your country. Write a speech based on your research that will convince your countrymen (classmates) to join you. Remember to include citations!

Imperialism countries:

1. India
2. Philippines
3. South Africa
4. China
5. Your choice! (Must be approved by Mrs. LaRoue)

Questions to answer in your speech:

1. What was the motivation for Imperialism to take place in your country to start with?
2. How was your country changed by Imperialism?
3. How was your personal life changed by Imperialism?
4. What sort of revolution do you imagine? (nonviolent, violent, protests, rallies)
5. Why should people follow you (there will be those who DON’T want to rebel, address that!)?
6. What are your qualifications for being a rebel leader?
7. What evidence are you giving to convince us?
8. Defend yourself against what the government will be saying about you.
9. What if? What if you win? What will you do?
10. What do you imagine for our country?
11. What differences does it make if we join you?
12. What are the three main problems our country faces?
13. What experience do you bring to the table?

Bonus points: Want some extra credit? Create visuals to go with your speech. This is not a PowerPoint, but maybe campaign posters, a promotional video…