ROUGH RIDERS VIDEO STUDY GUIDE

1. What was the general attitude of the American people towards the Rough Riders as they left to fight the Spanish-American war? Give specific examples from the movie to prove your answer.
2. Do you feel that the "yellow journalists" (reporters who went to Cuba to cover the war in the newspapers and usually exaggerated the stories) helped or hurt the situation during the war? Why?
3. Why was Henry Nash considered a hero? Do you think he intended to be heroic or was it an accident? Why?
4. How did the Rough Riders feel about killing the enemy? Give examples from the movie to support your answer.
5. What are some reasons that these men joined the Rough Riders? Use at least two of the men to give an example of your answer.
6. Choose one of the Rough Riders who especially appealed to you. Describe his personality. What were his weaknesses and what were his strengths. Why did you choose him?