

POLITICAL AND MILITARY COOPERATION



1. When was the United Nations established? by whom?
2. Identify the reason for which membership in the UN grew significantly in each of the following periods:
 - (a) 1955
 - (b) 1960
 - (c) 1990's
3. Who are the five permanent members of the Security Council?
4. Identify some of the problems the UN faces as it attempts to operate and influence world affairs.

REGIONAL MILITARY ALLIANCES

5. Why is the idea of only two superpowers a relatively new one?
6. Define balance of power:
7. Describe the purpose of NATO.

8. Describe the purpose of the former “Warsaw Pact” countries.

9. List 4 facts about the OSCE.

REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

10. Complete the chart on notable non-military regional organizations.

Regional Organization	Member	Purpose
OAS Organization of American States		
AU African Union		
The Commonwealth		

ECONOMIC COOPERATION

11. What states have joined the “superpowers” based on their economic success?
What former power has “slipped” from its earlier status?

12. The leading (economic) superpower since the 1990s is not a single state. What is the leading (economic) superpower in the world today?

13. Regarding the European Union....

(a) when was it formed?

(b) by what states?

(c) for what purpose?

(d) what are some important changes in recent years?

(e) what former Communist East European states have joined the EU?

(f) why these – what separated them from the others?

(g) what other states are waiting and anxious to join?

(h) for what reasons is the EU reluctant about new members?