

FOREIGN POLICY MEMO INSTRUCTIONS

You may write in first person/informal tone and include bullet points in your paragraphs. You may use the following resources to write your memo: Cornell notes; Current Foreign Policy Issues Chart; Constitutional Roles Chart.

You should choose and write about 2 of the following issues. In addition, you must write about _____ as one of your three issues.

- **ISIS/terrorism**
- **Failing Middle East States/Syria**
- **Iran weapons/alliances w/ Russia & Syria**
- **Russia/Putin military aggression, cyber-attacks, support of terror states**
- **China/trade/cyber-spying/regional aggression**
- **North Korea/nuclear threat/prison camps**

For each issue:

- **Summarize what you learned about the issue from the unit PowerPoint, video clips, speeches, debates, and editorials.**
- **Explain how this issue relates to *at least* one of our nation's four vital interests.**
- **Recommend *at least* 1 "soft" and 1 "hard" tool POTUS should use.**
- **Ask *at least* 2 astute questions the president should consider before taking action.**

Foreign Policy Memo Scoresheet

Name: _____

CRITERIA	ISSUE #1 SCORE: /15	ISSUE #2 SCORE: /15	ISSUE #3 SCORE: /15
Summarized issue using research from multiple sources=5 pts.			
Explained how issue relates to 1 national vital interest=2 pts			
Recommended 1 soft and 1 hard tool POTUS should use= 4 pts			
Asked 2 ASTUTE questions POTUS should consider=4 pts			
Summarized roles of POTUS/Congress in the Constitution			/5
Knowledge/Temperament needed in a Commander-in-Chief			/10
TOTAL			SCORE: /60



FOREIGN POLICY MEMO

FROM (YOUR NAME):

TO:

POTUS and the NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

RE:

U. S. FOREIGN POLICY

DATE:

FALL, 2017

INTRO:

FOREIGN POLICY ISSUE #1 (15 points):

FOREIGN POLICY ISSUE #2 (15 points):

FOREIGN POLICY ISSUE #3 (15 points):

CONSTITUTIONAL FOREIGN POLICY ROLES (5 points): Summarize the foreign policy roles of Congress and POTUS according to the U.S. Constitution.

KNOWLEDGE & TEMPERAMENT NEEDED IN A COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF (10 points): Recommend qualities needed in a Commander-in-Chief