Welcome to IB Global Politics!

For your summer assignment, you will complete the journal entry sheets below. Every entry will focus on a news article about a global issue or political event which you will find each week. You will complete 6 entries by the end of the summer. Please review the instructions and links below to complete the entries. They will be due at the start of the 26-27 school year.

Here are some great news outlets for finding your articles! They are hyperlinked below:

1. https://www.reuters.com/
2. https://apnews.com/
3. https://www.aljazeera.com/
4. https://news.sky.com/world

Every entry needs to include:

1. Article Information
    a. The title of the article
    b. Author
    c. Source (News Outlet/Website name)
    d. Date of Publication (Include any edits or updates)
    e. URL
2. Summary
    a. It should be 5-7 sentences
    b. This link is a how-to guide for writing summaries
    c. Summarize the key points of the article: What happened? Where did it occur? Why is it significant?
    d. Remember to use your own brain to complete these as this is a skill we will use in class!
3. Key Actors
    a. Identify the governments, leaders, organizations, NGOs, corporations, or communities involved
    b. Give a short note on why they matter (less than a sentence)
4. Effects of the Issue
    a. What are the political, economic, social, and environmental effects mentioned in the article?
    b. Give a short note on why they matter (less than a sentence)
5. Who is affected?

    a. Identify the groups of people who are impacted by contents of the article
    b. For example, if the article is talking about deforestation in South Fulton, GA who is impacted by this?
6. Your Analysis
    a. Use this PDF's guiding questions to help you write your analysis.
    b. Evaluate actions taken, consider fairness, and make connections to global politics through concepts such as power, human rights, or sovereignty.
    c. It should be 3–5 sentences long.
7. Possible outcomes
    a. Using your critical thinking, prediction, and imagination skills, predict realistic next steps, possible solutions, and any consequences both in the short and long term.
    b. This should be 2-3 sentences long.

The first one is an example for you to follow:

Article Title:	**“WHO declares global health emergency over Ebola outbreak in Congo and Uganda”**		
Author(s):	CHINEDU ASADU and SALEH MWANAMILONGO		
Date:	5/17/26	Source:	AP News
URL:	https://apnews.com/article/congo-ebola-uganda-who-africa-emergency-6f93a87ff28107bdda8990599bbcd52d		

Summary: 5-7 Sentences

This article details the decision from the World Health Organization to declare a public health emergency of international concern over the outbreak of Ebola in Congo and Uganda. The decision was made after there were over 300 cases and at least 88 deaths. It describes the danger Ebola presents as it is a very serious and fatal disease. The authors also detail how there are complicating factors that possibly hinder an appropriate response. These include the military conflicts currently ongoing in the area, as well as migration of people getting infected in one place and ending up in another.

Key Actors:	Effects:
• Congo • Uganda • World Health Organization • Africa CDC	• Economic effects (Possible supply chain issues) • Political Issues (Governments blaming each other) • Social Issues (Possible isolation of groups of people)
Who's Affected:	**Possible Outcomes:**
• The people of the Congo and Uganda • Other nearby countries	One major outcome that could come from this would be if the virus spreads to other countries. It would not be on the scale of

	Covid, but it would be very bad as it is a very deadly disease. It could also affect travel in the area and cause these places to be cut off from necessary assistance from other countries as those countries try to avoid the disease.

Analysis:

The issue of an Ebola Virus outbreak in Africa could have widespread effects. It is definitely something to monitor and keep track of. However, it is not something the ordinary citizen needs to worry about. The main question is how much help should other countries give to Congo and Uganda. I believe that other countries should try and help out these two as if the Congo and Uganda do not receive help, it might become a problem for other countries internationally. Health should not be a "go it alone" concept.

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