

Creating American Foreign Policy

How should the United States conduct foreign policy?

Speaking of Politics

As you complete the Reading Notes, use these terms in your answers:

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| foreign policy | diplomatic immunity |
| globalization | diplomatic recognition |
| diplomacy | summit |
| ambassador | sanction |

PREVIEW

Review the list of foreign policy goals. Then answer the questions.

1. Which two goals do you think are the most important for the United States to pursue? Why?
2. Which two goals do you think are the least important for the United States to pursue? Why?

Foreign Policy Goals

- Promote freedom and democracy abroad.
- Respond to international environmental disasters.
- Establish good trade relations with other countries.
- Protect our national borders.
- Maintain positive relations with allies.
- Ensure the safety of Americans abroad.
- Eliminate world dictators.
- Combat terrorism.
- Send humanitarian aid to impoverished nations.
- Mediate civil wars in other nations.

READING NOTES

Section 2

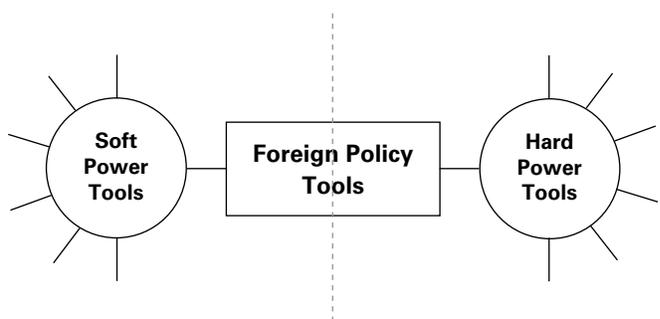
Create a table in your notebook as shown below. As you read, add at least two examples in each column. Then place the foreign policy goals listed in the Preview in the appropriate columns.

Security Goals	Peacekeeping Goals	Economic Goals	Humanitarian Goals

Sections 3 and 4

Copy the spoke diagram below across two pages of your notebook. For each of the six “soft power” and six “hard power” tools you read about, add a spoke to the corresponding circle. Then, to each new spoke, add the following:

- an illustration to represent that foreign policy tool
- a definition of that tool
- an explanation of why that tool is used



Section 5

Create a T-chart like the one below. As you read, add at least three items to each side. Then answer this question: *Why did Edward Corwin describe this division of power as “an invitation to struggle”?*

Presidential Foreign Powers	Congressional Foreign Powers

Section 6

Create a simple illustration to represent each worldview described in the section. Then choose the worldview that you most agree with, and write a paragraph describing your choice.

PROCESSING

Find and read a current news article about U.S. involvement in a foreign event. Tape the article into your notebook. Then answer these questions:

1. What foreign policy goal or goals does the United States seem to be pursuing in this event?
2. What foreign policy tools are being used in this event?
3. Do you agree with how the United States is conducting foreign policy with respect to this event? Why or why not?