



## 2008 General Study Guide

Round	Details	References
<b>International Law</b>	In the regional competitions, questions will be based on the pamphlet "International Law: 100 Ways it Shapes Our Lives" produced by the American Society for International Law. The national competition will draw from "ASIL Insights".	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "<a href="#">International Law: 100 Ways it Shapes Our Lives</a>"</li> <li>• "<a href="#">ASIL Insights</a>".</li> </ul>
<b>East Asia</b>	The focus of this round will be China, Japan, North and South Korea's politics, geography, history, and leaders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. Department of State's Bureau of International Information Programs <a href="http://usinfo.state.gov/eap/">http://usinfo.state.gov/eap/</a></li> <li>• World Bank's East Asia &amp; Pacific page <a href="http://go.worldbank.org/NFU8DZVEX0">http://go.worldbank.org/NFU8DZVEX0</a></li> <li>• East Asian geography online quiz <a href="http://www.harpercollege.edu/mhealy/mapquiz/easia/eamenu.htm">http://www.harpercollege.edu/mhealy/mapquiz/easia/eamenu.htm</a> SCIS: The World in Transition Series Updates: <i>East Asia in Transition</i> <a href="http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html">http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html</a></li> </ul>
<b>Organization of American States</b>	This category will focus on the functioning of the OAS including leaders, member countries, treaties, and history.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organization of American States - Website <a href="http://www.oas.org/main/english/">http://www.oas.org/main/english/</a></li> <li>• US Department of State <a href="http://www.state.gov/p/wha/rt/oas/">http://www.state.gov/p/wha/rt/oas/</a></li> <li>• BBC Country Profiles <a href="http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/americas/country_profiles/4441597.stm">http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/americas/country_profiles/4441597.stm</a></li> </ul>
<b>Elections</b>	As the US prepares to elect a new president, this category will ask questions on how the rest of the world elects their leaders and transitions power between heads of state and government.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parliament of Australia <a href="http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/POL/elections2006.htm">http://www.aph.gov.au/library/intguide/POL/elections2006.htm</a></li> <li>• Information on elections around the world <a href="http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govinfo/resource/internat/elections.html">http://www.library.northwestern.edu/govinfo/resource/internat/elections.html</a></li> <li>• Recent election-related issues in a number of countries, such as Turkey, Russia, and Japan <a href="http://www.cfr.org/issue/84/elections.html">http://www.cfr.org/issue/84/elections.html</a> SCIS: The World in Transition Series Updates: Lesson 2: <i>Politics and Government</i> (all regions) <a href="http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html">http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html</a></li> </ul>



<b>UN Peacekeeping Operations</b>	<p>Throughout its history, the UN has organized numerous peacekeeping missions around the world, this category will ask about the operations, history, and legal precedence for UN Peacekeeping missions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peacekeeping portion of the UN website <a href="http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/">http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/</a></li> <li>• List of all operations 1948-2007 <a href="http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/list/list.pdf">http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/list/list.pdf</a></li> </ul>
<b>Foreign Policy Association: Great Decisions 2007</b>	<p>Questions for this round will be drawn from these Great Decisions 2007 articles as well as updates posted on <a href="http://greatdecisions.org">greatdecisions.org</a>.</p>	<p>Topics for 2007 are: <i>Middle East, Climate, Mexico, Migration, South Africa, War Crimes, Central Asia, Children</i></p> <p>Each registered school will receive a complimentary copy of Great Decisions 2007 courtesy the Georgia Council for Int'l Visitors.</p>
<b>Countries</b>	<p>This round will be on general knowledge questions about countries: type of government, location, leaders, history, and current events.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The CIA's Country Factbook <a href="http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/index.html">http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/index.html</a></li> <li>• The New York Times 2007 Almanac</li> <li>• SCIS: The World in Transition Series Updates <a href="http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html">http://www.southerncenter.org/material_updates.html</a></li> </ul>
<b>Current events</b>	<p>This round will consist of questions on world news and world events happening in early 2008.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New York Times <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/">http://www.nytimes.com/</a></li> </ul>
<b>People in the News</b>	<p>This round will focus on world leaders and newsmakers involved in events around the time of the competition.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New York Times <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/">http://www.nytimes.com/</a></li> </ul>
<b>Econ 101</b>	<p>This category focused on a basic understanding of how the economy as a whole works, in order to provide students with a framework for viewing and interpreting the economic world around them. Competitors should focus on the economic concepts, not economic formulas to be successful in this category.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/whatis_e/tif_e/utw_chap1_e.pdf">http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/whatis_e/tif_e/utw_chap1_e.pdf</a> This pamphlet discusses the WTO, but focus on Chapter 1, the Basics.</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.fairtradeconcepts.com/fairtrade.html">http://www.fairtradeconcepts.com/fairtrade.html</a> This site talks about the concept of Fair Trade.</li> <li>• <a href="http://fpc.state.gov/documents/organization/82979.pdf">http://fpc.state.gov/documents/organization/82979.pdf</a> A Congressional Research Service report that is a "Trade Primer".</li> <li>• <a href="http://www.economicswisconsin.org/guide/glossary.htm">http://www.economicswisconsin.org/guide/glossary.htm</a> A glossary of Economic Terms from the University of Wisconsin.</li> </ul>