Political Laptopia

Political alliances develop between states for many reasons: **Military, Economic, Cultural And Political**

Explore these **Military alliances** by finding maps that clearly illustrate the following topics

Find maps:

1. NATO vs. Warsaw pact

2. Cuban Missile Crisis

3. Korean War including (China, North Korea, Soviet Union & USA, South Korea)

Google “The Domino Effect, Communism” and describe for each of the three topics above how this “Domino” could have fallen to communism. (4 sentences each)

**Economic alliances:**

Find maps to illustrate the following topics and then write a brief to answer the questions

1.EU List member nations of the EU and those with pending status.

2. Describe the EuroZone crisis and why it is occurring

3. NAFTA: list member nations and what the advantages and disadvantages of members.

**Terrorism & Al Queda**

Read about the History of Al Queda http://www.pbs.org/moyers/journal/07272007/alqaeda.html

1. Summarize the main message of Al Queda here: 1 paragraph
2. How this organization’s leadership structure different from other military conflicts of the past? 3-5 sentences
3. How have things change for Al Queda since the death of Osama Bin Laden? 3-5 sentences

**Boundary conflicts:**

**Conflicts between states’ boundaries occur for many reasons**

**Research 5 specific conflicts and provide maps and 3 sentence caption for each that describes the type of conflict and causes and solutions**

search <https://www.dur.ac.uk/ibru/news/>

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