

ROLE PLAYING A GLOBAL ECONOMIC SUMMIT

I CAN EXPLAIN HOW PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION AND INTERDEPENDENCE INCREASE WHEN REGIONS AND NATIONS TRADE WITH EACH OTHER AS A RESULT OF USING COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE.

WHAT DO THESE COUNTRIES HAVE IN COMMON?



India

Germany

WHAT IS DIFFERENT ABOUT THESE COUNTRIES?



India

Germany

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES OF THE FIVE LARGEST ECONOMIES IN THE WORLD?

Comparative Advantage: the ability to produce goods and services at a lower opportunity cost than others

What does each country specialize in? What are their strengths? What do they need to trade for?

TASK: DAY 1

- Read through the summaries of each of the 5 countries - pay particular attention to economic overview and indicators
 - Highlight/underline important information in one color
 - Highlight/underline terms to look up in a second color



DAY 2

• What information from the countries summaries did you find important?

• What did you learn from your "research?"

TASK #1 - FILL OUT CHART ON PAGE 1

	Economic Indicator	United States	China	Japan	Germany	India
1	GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)					
2	GDP – Composition, by sector of origin	Agriculture: Industry: Services:	Agriculture: Industry: Services:	Agriculture: Industry: Services:	Agriculture: Industry: Services:	Agriculture: Industry: Services:
3	Exports – Partners					
4	Exports – commodities (list at least 3)					
5	Imports – Partners					
6	Imports – commodities (list at least 3)					
7	Your choice:					
8	Your choice:					

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	Power Parity)					
2	GDP – Composition, by sector of origin	Agriculture: .9% Industry: 19.1% Services: 80%	Agriculture: 7.9% Industry: 40.5% Services: 51.6%	Agriculture: 1.1% Industry: 30.1% Services: 68.7%	Agriculture: .7% Industry: 30.7% Services: 68.6%	Agriculture: 15.4% Industry: 23% Services: 61.5%
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TASK #2 - FILL OUT FIRST TWO ROWS OF CHART ON PAGE 2

		United States	China	Japan	Germany	India
or conclus	ne observation ion about this economy or					
2 What is an observation about this	on or conclusion					
advantage	comparative ?					
	ht this country iin through					

TOMORROW

- 5 groups \rightarrow each group will represent one country
 - Share data and observations
 - Start to game plan for "Global Economic Summit"

TASKS FOR DAY 3

- 1. Compare answers for chart on page 2
- 2. Complete chart as a group
- 3. Pick countries and start to plan for summit

		United States	China	Japan	Germany	India
3	What might be this					
	country's					
	comparative					
	advantage?					
4	What might this					
	country seek to gain					
	through trade?					

COUNTRY "DRAFT"

Our Country's Goals and Interests

(List at least 3)

BE SPECIFIC

Economic? National Security? Future Development? Improving citizens' utility?

ROLES FOR THE SUMMIT

- **President** will serve as the "face" of the country and engage with other presidents
- Secretary of State will sign off on any negotiations and create a country symbol
- Trade Ambassadors will engage in specific negotiations to reach a deal with other countries

DAY 4 TASKS – SIT AT THE SAME TABLE AS YESTERDAY

- 1. Decide on roles: President, Secretary of State, Trade Ambassadors
- 2. Prepare for summit
 - **President** create and practice 2 minute speech
 - Introduction to your country, it's strengths, and interests
 - Secretary of State create "flag" for your country
 - Name & Symbols of your country
 - Trade Ambassadors strategize for tomorrow (Who will you try to make agreements with? What do you want? What might they want?)
 - Trade Ambassadors will also help with speech and "flag"

DAY 5 - GLOBAL SUMMIT!

• Today we will bring the five biggest economies together to discuss agreements for trade and cooperation

 Your country's goal: Create 3 different arrangements with one or more countries to advance your own economic interests, national security interests, and/or your citizens' utility

GLOBAL SUMMIT

- 1. Each president will open with a speech
- 2. Trade Ambassadors will circle the room to make agreements
 - Presidents and Secretaries of State can also engage in negotiations (will "stay home" while Trade Ambassadors visit with others)
- 3. Secretaries of State will sign off on any agreements
- 4. If you cannot make three agreements, you must enact a trade penalty or sanction on one or more other countries

GLOBAL SUMMIT AGREEMENTS

Trade & Cooperation Alliance Examples:

- [Country A] will promise to trade ______ to [Country B]. [Country B] will promise to trade ______ to [Country A].
- [Country A], [Country B], and [Country C] will not have tariffs/quotas on
- [Country A] will trade ______ in exchange for [Country B] promising to ______. (Could be investment or national security related.)
- [Country A], [Country B], and [Country C] agree to ______. (Could be investment or national security related.)

FAILURE TO REACH AGREEMENTS

If your country cannot reach a mutual agreement with another country, you will enact sanctions on another country (or multiple countries).

- Examples:
 - We will put tariffs/quotas on ______ from [Country B].
 - We will put [economic sanctions travel bans, asset freezes, arms embargo] on [Country B] and [Country C].

GLOBAL SUMMIT SCHEDULE

- 1. President's Opening
- 2. 15 minutes of negotiations
- 3. Economic sanctions (if needed)
- 4. Debriefing Questions

DEBRIEF QUESTIONS

- What points were the easiest upon which to reach an agreement? Why?
- What points were the hardest upon which to reach an agreement? Why?
- What disagreements/disputes remain? Why?
- How did the comparative advantage of each country play into their negotiations?
- What might be some short- or long-term consequences of the agreed upon terms?
- In what ways do you think this simulation would be similar or different to real life trade talks?