

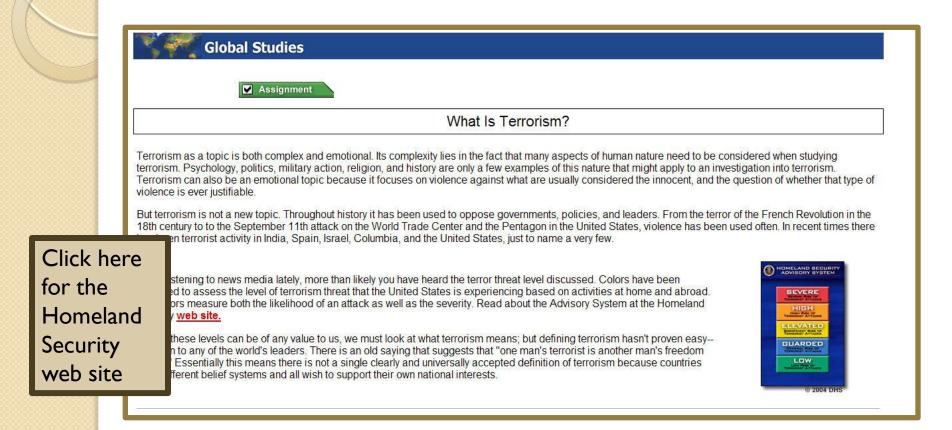
What is Terrorism?

Global Studies Unit 5, Lesson 5 Dr. Chenicek

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Your goals are to learn how to complete these objectives: • Define terrorism • Analyze and evaluate conditions, actions, and motivations	Check your objectives here!

Homeland Security Website



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Interesting site – Informative & up-to-the minute.

Homeland Security Advisory System

Current Threat Level

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- The United States government's national threat level is Elevated, or Yellow.
- For all domestic and international flights, the U.S. threat level is High, or Orange. See the Transportation Security Administration for <u>up-to-date information on items permitted</u> and prohibited on airlines.



Recommended Activities

- Everyone should establish an <u>emergency preparedness kit</u> and <u>emergency plan</u> for themselves and their family, and stay informed about what to do during an emergency. See more at <u>Citizen Guidance on the Homeland Security Advisory System</u> (PDF - 1 page, 132 KB)
- All Americans should continue to be vigilant, take notice of their surroundings, and report suspicious items or activities to local authorities immediately.

About the Homeland Security Advisory System

The Homeland Security Advisory System is designed to guide our protective measures when specific information to a particular sector or geographic region is received. It combines threat information with vulnerability assessments and provides communications to public safety officials and the public.

- Homeland Security Threat Advisories contain actionable information about an incident involving, or a threat targeting, critical national networks or infrastructures or key assets.
- Homeland Security Information Bulletins communicate information of interest to the nation's critical infrastructures that do not meet the timeliness, specificity, or significance thresholds of warning messages.
- Color-coded Threat Level System is used to communicate with public safety officials and the public at-large through a threat based color actions as that protocoling as the impli-

-based, color-coded system so that protective measures can be implemented to reduce the likelihood or impact of an attack.

This system was established in Homeland Security Presidential Directive 3.



Definitions of Terrorism

No country wants to be thought of as harboring terrorists or using terrorism to achieve their goals, yet neither do they wish to be prohibited from using what they protect their interests. Therefore, getting the world to agree on just what does constitute an act of terrorism has proven

Click here for an interesting article

Definitions of Terrorism Often Vary by Mary H. Cooper (The CQ Researcher)

see a few of the definitions of terrorism that have been proposed over the years.

Although it is hard to pir	npoint a clear definition of terror	rism, most terrorist acts s	hare common characteristics:

Victims	Person or people are actually harmed by the act; can be civilian or military
Target	Person or people not physically harmed but at whom the act was aimed; usually a government or group
Intent	To spread fear or influence policy decisions
Means	Violence or threat of violence exists
Motive	Subjective, hard to determine, but can be based on ideological, religious, or nationalistic beliefs



Now that you have looked at a few definitions of terrorism and some common characteristics of terrorist acts, your editor would like you to create your own comprehensive definition and see what you consider acts of terrorism. View some <u>Terrorism Definition and Scenarios</u>.

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Work file

What Is Terrorism?

Click this Work File – it is very important to help you organize this assignment

There are several parts to this assignment. A work file is provided to help you organize your information. Be sure you understand and complete each part before going on to the next. What you will be asked to submit for the What Is Terrorism? assessment will involve all three parts of this assignment.

Your Assignment – Part One

Part One

Define terrorism. Based on what you already know and what you have read in this lesson, write your own definition that is thoughtful and complete. Provide examples to help clarify what you mean.

Fill in that Work File!!

Your Assignment – Part Two

Part Two

Read and respond to each scenario listed below. Based on what you already know and what you have read in this lesson about the meaning of terrorism, respond to the questions that follow each scenario.

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- · Is this an example of terrorism according to your definition?
- · Who, if anyone, is acting as a terrorist?
- Is there any other information you would need to know to make a better decision?

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Your Assignment – Part Three

Part Two

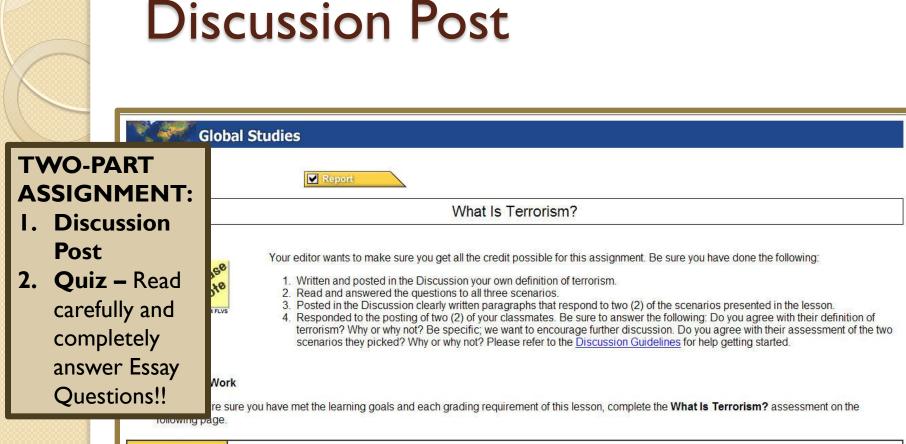
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How will you be graded on this assessment?

Are all necessary pages printed and placed in your notebook? Is all work saved on a floppy, zip disk, or CD?

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Assessment: It's a Quiz!

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