

Country Analysis Questions

The following questions will help you analyze the selected country that you will discuss in your committee brief.

Country

- What is the official name of your selected country?

Geography

- What region of the world is this country located in? Who are the country's neighbors?
- How would you describe the country's physical features and climate?
- What environmental problems does the country face?

Government

- What type of government does your selected country have? What types of ideologies influence its government?
- How many people serve in the country's military?
- What are the domestic issues in the country?

Health

- What is the average life expectancy?
- What is the country's birth rate, maternal mortality rate, and infant mortality rate?
- What are the country's major infectious diseases? What is the rate of HIV/AIDS infection?

Education

- What percentage of the population is literate?
- How many years, on average, do people attend school?
- Is school free and/or a requirement?

Culture

- What is the country's official language? What other languages are spoken?
- What is the ethnic composition? Religious composition? Racial composition?

Economy

- What is the economic system in your selected country?
- What is the country's gross domestic product (GDP)?
- What are some of the country's natural resources?
- What is the country's currency? Is it stable?

History

- Was the country ever a colony? If so, of which country? When did your selected country become independent?
- Did the country ever colonize another country? If so, for how long?
- What are some major events/conflicts in the country's history? Why are they important?