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Chapter 1. The Globalization of International Relations

IR297	The Age of Nonpolarity: What Will Follow U.S. Dominance	Richard N. Haass	13pp.
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Description - Haass argues that a broad dissemination of power is making the international system “nonpolar” rather than unipolar, bipolar, or multipolar.

IR064	Foreign Affairs: Foreign Policy for a Global Age	Samuel R. Berger	18pp.
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Description - National security adviser Samuel R. Berger outlines the foreign policy achievements of the Clinton administration, emphasizing the administration’s success in managing a successful transition from the Cold War era to the era of globalization.

Chapter 2. Realist Theories

IR040	False Promise of International Institutions	John J. Mearsheimer	14pp.
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Description - Mearsheimer provides a realist critique of neoliberal institutionalist, collective security, and critical theories of war and peace. This selection can be paired with Lisa Martin and Beth Simmons’ article, # IR038.

Chapter 3. Liberal Theories

IR052	American Political Science Review: The Flawed Logic of Democratic Peace Theory	Sebastian Rosato	45pp.
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Description - Rosato argues that historical evidence contradicts the causal logics underpinning democratic peace theory.

Chapter 4. Social Theories

IR080	The Payoff From Women’s Rights	Isobel Coleman	16pp.
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Description - Coleman argues that improving the status of women in developing countries is important not only because it promotes human rights but also because it fosters economic and political success.

Chapter 5. International Conflict

IR153	The Protean Enemy	Jessica Stern	14pp.
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Description - After the destruction of its haven in Afghanistan, al Qaeda evolved and decentralized and still poses a major threat to U.S. interests.

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IR050	Bystanders to Genocide	Samantha Power	48pp.
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Description - Power analyzes how the Clinton administration stood by while the 1994 Rwandan genocide unfolded. This selection can be paired with Alan J. Kuperman's article, # IR117.

IR105	The Clash of Civilizations?	Samuel P. Huntington	28pp.
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Description - In this classic article, Huntington argued that culture was likely to be a major dividing line in the post-Cold War international system. This selection can be paired with Fouad Ajami's article, # IR062.

IR302	Us and Them	Jerry Z. Muller	18pp.
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Description - Muller surveys the history of ethnic nationalism in Europe and beyond and concludes that it remains a powerful political force today.

Chapter 6. Military Force and Terrorism

IR148	Outsourcing War	P. W. Singer	14pp.
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Description - Singer documents the global rise in the contracting of military services, especially during the Iraq war.

Chapter 7. International Organization, Law, and Human Rights

IR026	The Pretty Prudent Public: Post-Post Vietnam American Opinion on the Use of Force	Bruce W. Jentleson	41pp.
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Description - Examining how American public opinion on the use of force has changed since Vietnam, Jentleson argues that public opinion shifts reasonably depending on the "principal policy objective" behind the use of force.

Chapter 8. International Trade

IR004	The Institutional Roots of American Trade Policy: Politics, Coalitions, and International Trade	Michael Bailey, Judith Goldstein, and Barry Weingast	34pp.
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Description - The authors examine the role of the RTAA of 1934 in making possible a shift from protectionism to gradual liberalization in U.S. trade policy, arguing that it represented a partisan initiative designed to institutionalize Democratic Party preferences for freer trade.

IR087	The Outsourcing Bogeyman	Daniel W. Drezner	13pp.
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Description - Drezner argues that the economic costs to the U.S. of international outsourcing of service sector jobs have been exaggerated, and that domestic protectionism is a greater danger.

Chapter 9. Global Finance and Business

IR053	International Regimes, Transactions, and Change: Embedded Liberalism in the Postwar Economic Order	John G. Ruggie	48pp.
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Description - After World War II, Ruggie argues, American leaders crafted an "embedded liberal" order that restrained market forces in an effort to preserve domestic and international stability.

Chapter 10. International Integration

IR103	Clash of Globalizations	Stanley Hoffman	12pp.
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Description - Globalization is having complex effects on the prospects for world order, Hoffmann argues, as increased integration has unleashed tensions and contradictions for states that are still autonomous but increasingly encumbered.

Chapter 11. Environment and Population

IR294	Arctic Meltdown: The Economic and Security Implications of Global Warming	Scott G. Borgerson	16pp.
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Description - The rapid melting of the Arctic icecap is leading to an international scramble to build offshore oil wells and to control new sea-lanes.

IR200	What to Do About Climate Change	Ruth Greenspan Bell	9pp.
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Description - Bell argues that global emissions trading holds little promise for curbing greenhouse gas emissions and that greater emphasis should be placed on building the political will for reductions and, in the developing world, environmental regulatory capacity.

IR133	Preparing for the Next Pandemic	Michael T. Osterholm	14pp.
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Description - An avian flu pandemic or comparable infectious disease calamity is likely to strike the world relatively soon and could cause untold suffering unless much more is done now to prepare for it.

Chapter 12. The North-South Gap

IR144	The Development Challenge	Jeffrey D. Sachs	13pp.
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Description - The United States devotes only a pittance to long-term development aid, argues Sachs, and by giving more could do wonders in reducing poverty around the globe. This selection can be paired with Nancy Birdsall, Dani Rodrik, and Arvind Subramanian's article, # IR070.

Chapter 13. International Development

IR070	How to Help Poor Countries	Nancy Birdsall, Dani Rodrik, and Arvind Subramanian	17pp.
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Description - The authors argue that trade and aid have limits as tools for spurring economic development in poor countries, and that more can be accomplished by tailoring economic policies to local circumstances, discouraging corruption, facilitating the development of appropriate technology, and permitting greater international labor mobility. This selection can be paired with Jeffrey D. Sachs' article, # IR144.

IR237	Does Oil Hinder Democracy?	Michael L. Ross	14pp.
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Description - Ross explains that countries dependent upon oil or mineral exports are less likely than other states to be ruled by democratic governments.

Chapter 14. Postscript: Readings from the Obama Administration

IR304 **Renewing American Leadership**

Barack Obama

16pp.

Description - Democratic Presidential candidate Barack Obama outlines his U.S. foreign policy agenda.

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