International politics

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Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Match each international politics word with its meaning.

1 diplomat ____	**a** a formal agreement between countries
2 treaty ____	**b** to discuss in order to reach an agreement
3 negotiate ____	**c** a partnership between countries for mutual benefit
4 alliance ____	**d** a penalty imposed on a country by others
5 sanction ____	**e** an important meeting between leaders of different countries
6 summit ____	**f** a person who officially represents their country abroad
7 ambassador ____	**g** the official representative of a country in another nation
8 conflict ____	**h** a serious disagreement, sometimes involving fighting
9 cooperation ____	**i** working together for a shared goal
10 border ____	**j** the line separating two countries

2 Choose the correct form.

1 She works as a diplomat / diplomacy.
2 The two countries signed a treaty / treaties.
3 They negotiate / negotiated for hours.
4 The two nations formed an alliance / ally.
5 The country faced sanctions / sanction.
6 Leaders met at the summit / summit's.
7 He was appointed ambassador / ambassador's.
8 The conflict / conflicting lasted for years.

3 Complete the descriptions with words from the box.

alliance | ambassador | border | cooperation | diplomat | negotiate | summit | treaty

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News A: Leaders met at an international 1 _____ to
2 _____ a new peace 3 _____.
News B: The countries formed a strong 4 _____ based on mutual
5 _____.
News C: The new 6 _____ arrived to take up her post, working closely with
the local 7 _____ to resolve the dispute along the
8 _____.

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4 Match each word with its opposite.

1 peace ____	**a** enemy
2 ally ____	**b** conflict
3 cooperate ____	**c** compete
4 open border ____	**d** closed border
5 agreement ____	**e** disagreement
6 stable ____	**f** unstable
7 friendly ____	**g** hostile
8 unite ____	**h** divide

5 Read the text. Write T (true) or F (false).

A diplomatic breakthrough

After months of tension, leaders from two neighbouring countries met at an international summit to negotiate a new treaty. Diplomats worked closely with ambassadors from both sides to reach an agreement. The treaty focused on cooperation over trade and border security. Both countries hailed the agreement as an important step towards a lasting alliance.

1 There was tension before the summit. T / F

2 The leaders met to negotiate a treaty. T / F

3 Only one country sent diplomats. T / F

4 The treaty focused on trade and border security. T / F

5 Both countries were unhappy with the agreement. T / F

6 The agreement was called a step towards alliance. T / F

6 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition (with, between, on, over).

1 They negotiated _____ the terms.

2 There was tension _____ the two countries.

3 The treaty focused _____ trade.

4 They cooperated _____ their neighbours.

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OVER TO YOU

Write a 70-90 word description of an international agreement or diplomatic event (real or imaginary). Include the countries involved and the outcome.

[ ] Use at least eight target words. [ ] Use past tenses accurately. [ ] Keep the description balanced and factual.

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ANSWER KEY

1 International politics words

1 f 2 a 3 b 4 c 5 d 6 e 7 g 8 h 9 i 10 j

2 Choose the correct form

1 diplomat 2 treaty 3 negotiated 4 alliance 5 sanctions 6 summit 7 ambassador 8 conflict

3 Descriptions

1 summit 2 negotiate 3 treaty 4 alliance 5 cooperation 6 ambassador 7 diplomat 8 border

4 Opposites

1 b 2 a 3 c 4 d 5 e 6 f 7 g 8 h

5 Reading

1 T
2 T
3 F - both sides sent diplomats.
4 T
5 F - both were happy.
6 T

6 Prepositions

1 over 2 between 3 on 4 with

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Answers will vary. Check clear organisation, accurate forms and balanced wording.