Chapter 8: Key Issue 4

*Why Has Terrorism Increased?*

1. Terrorism is a rising phenomenon in the modern world.
	1. Define terrorism and what its goals are.
	2. What techniques do terrorists employ? Provide an example of each.
	3. How is terrorism different than assassination?
2. Complete the chart below by describing acts of terrorism against American citizens and the military.

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| Pan Am flight 103 (1988) |  |
| World Trade Center (1993) |  |
| Oklahoma City (1995) |  |
| Unabomber (1990s) |  |
| US Military Base in Saudi Arabia (1996) |  |
| US Embassies in Kenya and Tanzania (1998) |  |
| USS Cole (2000) |  |

1. Identify the targets of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.
2. Explain how the terrorist attacks of 9/11/2001 impacted the world.
3. Where did Osama bin Laden begin his career as a terrorist?
4. Why did the al-Qaeda terrorist organization declare war on the United States?
5. How is al-Qaeda structured? Why is it difficult to combat the organization?
6. Describe three major terror attacks that have been attributed to al-Qaeda.

a.

b.

c.

1. Identify the three main ways Middle Eastern states have been aiding terrorist organizations.

a.

b.

c.

1. Explain why the United States invaded Afghanistan.
2. What were the official reasons given for the United States led invasion of Iraq in 2003?
3. Why did the United States claim that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction?
4. Why did most other nations reject the US assertion that Iraq had close ties with al-Qaeda?
5. Describe the conflicts that erupted in Iraq once Saddam Hussein had been removed from power.
6. What is the source of the tension between Iran and the United States?
7. While the United States claims that Iran supports al-Qaeda, the rest of the world rejects this assertion. From your knowledge of the Religion unit, why would Iranian support of al-Qaeda be unlikely?