

Week 10 Practice Questions

Terrorism

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Question 1 Kydd and Walter (2006) outline five strategic logics of terrorism: attrition, intimidation, outbidding, spoiling, and provocation. For each logic of persuasion, the terrorists are seeking to influence a target who is uncertain about something(s). Based on this, please fill in Table 1.¹

Table 1: Strategies of terrorist violence

Logic	Who are they trying to persuade?	What is the target uncertain about?
Outbidding	A	B
Provocation	C	D
Attrition	E	F
Intimidation	G	H
Spoiling	I	J

Question 2 We discussed two sources from which the hegemon obtains power. What were they? And how does each source reinforce the hegemon?

Question 3 What do we mean by “hegemonic stability theory” (Kindleberger 1981)? What are some of its implications?

References

- [1] Charles P Kindleberger. “Dominance and leadership in the international economy: Exploitation, public goods, and free rides”. In: *International studies quarterly* 25.2 (1981), pp. 242–254.
- [2] Andrew H Kydd and Barbara F Walter. “The strategies of terrorism”. In: *International Security* 31.1 (2006), pp. 49–80.

¹Hint: targets can be uncertain about power, resolve, or trustworthiness.