Keyword	Simple Definition
Superpower	A nation with the ability to project its power and influence anywhere in the world.
Hegemony	The political, economic, or military dominance of one state over others.
Geopolitics	The study of how Earth's geography impacts politics and international relations.
Demographics	Statistical data relating to the population, such as age and gender.
GDP	Measures the total value of all goods and services produced within its borders in a year.
International Governmental Organisation (IGOs)	Organisations made up of two or more sovereign states working together on global issues (e.g. the World Bank).
Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)	China's massive global strategy to fund and build transport networks connecting Asia with Africa and Europe.
Infrastructure	The basic physical structures and facilities needed for a country to function (e.g. roads, railways, ports).
Urbanisation	The process by which more people move from rural to urban areas.
Hard Power	The use of military or economic force to influence the behaviour of other countries.
Deterrence	The action of discouraging an action or event through instilling doubt of the consequence.
Sphere of influence	An area in which another country has the power to affect development although it has no formal authority.
Sovereignty	A state’s power to govern itself.
Diplomacy	The art of managing international relations.
Soft Power	The ability to influence others through attraction and persuasion rather than coercion or payment.
Cultural Diffusion	The spread of cultural beliefs and social activities from one group of people to another.