Chapter 6

Section 2

Issues and Challenges

Economic Ties

- US- world's largest economy
  - Export chemicals, farm products, manufactured goods, _____ (metals and cotton)
- Canada- much the same plus timber and seafood
- Both countries import many goods as well
- 1994- NAFTA (_____)- removed trade restrictions between US, Canada and Mexico
  - Free trade allows each country to benefit
  - Canada sends 80% of exports to US, buys 60% of imports from US
  - Canada and Mexico are US' largest trading partners

Economic Ties

- US depends on imports for _____
  - Oil: Canada, Mexico, Venezuela, Saudi Arabia,, Nigeria, Angola
- Americans spend hundreds of billions more on imports than we make on exports
  - Results in _____- can cause serious economic problems over time
- To promote American business- US imposes _____ (_____)
  - Other countries do this to American goods as well- hurts US economy
- Canada has a _____- earns more from exports than it spends on imports

Global Terrorism

- US and Canada work together to combat _____
- Sometimes we disagree on decisions
  - Canada did not support war in Iraq (2003)- wanted us to seek peaceful solutions through UN (_____)
  - US and Canada are both heavily involved in UN
    - UN- helps keep world peace, provide aid to people in war torn countries or natural disasters

Environmental Issues

- Acid Rain and Climate Change
  - Burning of coal oil and natural gas can result in acid rain (rain with high amounts of chemicals)
  - Happens more in eastern areas of the countries- more _____
  - _____ is a concern
    - Rising sea levels, changing in prevailing winds and ocean currents
    - Both countries fund research to reduce the use of fossil fuels

Environmental Issues

- Pollution Issues
  - Climate change and higher demand for water have led to _____ in Great Lakes
    - Reduces shipping, hurts fish populations, decreases tourism
  - _____- places of old factories or gas stations with dangerous chemicals left behind
    - Governments try to help communities clean them up for new development
  - _____- people spreading out into suburbs and surrounding areas around cities
    - Reduced farmland and wilderness
    - More highways= more pollution, traffic, and strains on resources