**Key Issue 1: Where Are States Distributed?**

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*\*\*\*Always keep your key term packet out whenever you take notes from Rubenstein. As the terms come up in the text, think through the significance of the term.*

1. Define ***state*:**
2. Define ***sovereignty*:**
3. List the 6 **largest** states in order.
4. How many **microstates** are recognized? What do many have in common? List 6 that you can find on a map, and state where they are. (If you can only come up with 3 on your own, you’ll have to look up three more!)
5. When was the United Nations established? By whom?
6. Identify the reason for which membership in the UN grew significantly in each of the following periods.

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| 1955 |  |
| 1960 |  |
| 1990s |  |

1. Who are the five permanent members of the **Security Council**?
2. Identify some of the **problems** the UN faces as it attempts to operate and influence world affairs.
3. There is some disagreement about how many states there actually are in the world because of regions which may, or may not, actually be states. Complete the chart to demonstrate three cases.

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| **Korea** (North & South) | People’s Democratic Republic of China (**China**) and/or Republic of China (**Taiwan**) | **Western Sahara** or **Sahrawi Republic** |
| One state if you agree that… | One state if you agree that… | One state if you agree that… |
| Two states if you agree that… | Two states if you agree that… | No state if you agree that… |

1. Complete the graphic organizers on the topics indicated below as they related to the history of the concept of political states and their developments.

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| **Ancient States** |

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| **Medieval States** |

1. Define ***nation-state****:*
2. Define ***self-determination****:*