
Questions: On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions in at least 4-5 sentences. Refer to the text (Stavridis, pg. ___) where appropriate.

1. In each chapter of his book, Admiral Stavridis focuses on a specific body of water. For each of the following, summarize what he says about the topography, history and current issues:
   A. The Pacific Ocean
   B. The Atlantic Ocean
   C. The Indian Ocean
   D. The Mediterranean Sea
   E. The South China Sea
   F. The Caribbean Sea
   G. The Arctic Ocean

2. In each chapter, Admiral Stavridis uses his own experiences as a naval officer to give his impressions. Do you think this helps the reader understand the material better? Why? Give examples.

3. In “The Outlaw Sea” chapter, Admiral Stavridis discusses the issue of modern piracy. What does he suggest causes people to take up piracy? How has the international community responded? What is the best way to resolve the problem?

4. The final chapter is devoted to discussing the importance of sea power in today’s world. Do you think he makes a convincing case? Does the United States need a large and expensive navy (the newest aircraft carrier, the USS Gerald R. Ford, costs around $13 billion) in the 21st century?

5. Discuss what you thought of the book. Would you recommend it for next year’s summer reading assignment?