

Solutions

Each answer shows the steps, then the **result**.

2.1

- that no single state should be strong enough to dominate the others, so states combine against whichever is strongest

2.2

- the target is relative strength, not a permanent enemy, so as strength shifts the alignment shifts with it

2.3

(a)

- to restore equilibrium by strengthening the weaker side

(b)

- territory was used as a counterweight, not only as a prize

3.1 B

- relative strength determines the target

3.2 B

- it is a principle about external distribution only

3.3

(a)

- that confession did not determine alignment

(b)

- the principle directs states against the strongest power, which overrides confessional sympathy when the two conflict