Assessing China’s Rise Project

Overview: Now that we have read Zakaria and Babones, we are going to delve deeper. You will be assigned one topic that affects China’s rise. You will research, analyze, and generate a presentation that will help the class better understand how your topic affects our understanding of China’s rise. You will need to consider several questions:

1. What is the nature of your topic in China today? What are the key components of the topic? What advantages/problems has this created for China?
2. What will happen regarding your topic in the future? What advantages/problems will this create for China?

Topics: Economy, Politics, Demographics, Environment, Foreign Policy

Presentation Requirements: You may present your assessment in whatever medium you feel will be compelling. There are however a few basic requirements.

1. You must develop a thesis in which you summarize your assessment of this particular aspect of China today.
2. Your presentation must be organized and coherent.
3. You must use at least 3 pieces of research in addition to the Zakaria and Babones.
4. You must include a works cited page. Please use MLA format.
5. You must quote and cite your resources using parenthetical notation.
6. You must demonstrate a mastery of all of your other resources. It might be best to pretend that you are informing your classmates of what resources would be helpful for them as they write a large research paper assessing China’s rise.
7. You must explore and explain the components of your issue.
8. You must predict the impact that this issue will have on China’s rise in the future.

Resources: You will find it particularly helpful to use newspapers, journals, think tank websites, and the congressional research service.

2. Journals and Magazines: Current History, Foreign Policy, Economist, Time, Newsweek
3. Think Tanks: Council on Foreign Relations, Brookings, Center for Strategic and International Studies
4. Congressional Research Service