Discussion Sheet #3: Seeing International Relations within a System

What? Please complete a summary for Chapter 4 in Mingst and Mearsheimer, Anarchy and the Struggle for Power
How? Use the form and space below
When? Due at the beginning of class, Monday, October 18 (10 points)

Chapter 4: The International System

1. Briefly summarize the idea of a system generally and an international system specifically. Use at least one illustration in your summary.

2. Each of the major theoretical schools of international relations have a perspective on the international system--------briefly summarize the perspective of each and use an example for each.

   Liberalism:

   Radicalism:
3. For class members not doing topical presentation #1: John Mearsheimer is a leading voice for realism among current American political scientists. Use his article *Anarchy and the Struggle for Power* to comment on the realist view of international relations. What sticks out most clearly in his analysis? What criticisms of the Bush Doctrine would he make? What criticisms of Mearsheimer and his realism would you offer?