Questions for Students in Preparation for the Seminar

Search for and read media articles relating to China’s engagement with African countries.

Where do the articles that you found originate from? Are they positive or negative towards China? Why might this be?

What is the Tan-Zam Railway?

In which other countries has China engaged in ‘stadium diplomacy’?

What is the ‘Bretton Woods’ system of international affairs? Look at some criticisms of it. (Hint: is this about keeping poor countries poor?)

Who is Jeffrey Sachs and what kind of views does he have in relation to foreign aid and development assistance?

Go on the UN website and read about Millennium Development Goals?

The chapter mentions that China is following the successes of Japan, South Korea and Taiwan. What does ‘success’ mean in this context?

Look up information on China’s special economic zones in Mauritius and Zambia.