1. How can U.S. military readiness meet America’s present strategic responsibilities at a time of budgetary shrinkage and growing isolationism?

2. To what degree are present defense challenges similar to those of the late 1930s?

3. Does the U.S. have too few and too expensive weapons, and should it make more and less costly planes and ships?

4. Are U.S. budget deficits and soaring national debt as dangerous as recent cutbacks in defense?

5. Does a reduced U.S. military pressure allies to take on a fair share of common defense or only weaken the alliance?