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Answer each of the following questions in depth using impeccable logic, strong examples, and excellent English.

#1. Over 80 % of the world's energy comes from fossil fuels (i.e. coal, natural gas, and oil). However, these resources are exhaustible. Once they are used they cannot be renewed. Someday they will run out. In addition, burning fossil fuels creates high levels of CO₂ which is supposedly warming the planet. This creates economic, political, and social dilemmas. Using good English, explain these dilemmas and how should deal with them in the future. Consider all aspects including demand, supply, political, and environmental concerns. (40 %)

#2. The term "globalization" refers to an increased integration of the national economies, political systems, and cultures of the world. Many people feel globalization is a force for good, while others feel it is a force for evil. Choose a position, good or bad, and argue persuasively your point of view on globalization. Be very complete in your answer. (30%)

#3. Many people feel the US is in a period of decline relative to other countries and that we are now living in a post-American world. Provide three examples of what you believe are evidence of American decline and discuss these examples in as much detail as you can. (30%)