**P.S: Please respond as it’s your own assignment. I will accept your thought about the topic (subject). Please take your time to read the whole post to understand the question.**

PS: YOUR ANSWER should be analytic in nature and include examples that can bolster your argument. YOUR ANSWER should be **free of any spelling or grammar errors** and properly cited in **Turabian** format. At least 3 references. **Make sure to proofread carefully.**

Your initial post should be at least **500 words**. Concerning the references you must include scholarly references, and the references for the reading assigned to you for this forum question.

**FORUM QUESTION FOR THIS WEEK**

**Explaining war and violent conflict**

In what way is "issue-indivisibility" related to war? Is Fearon (1995) correct in dismissing indivisibility as a cause of war in his rationalist argument war? Use at least three specific examples to make your argument.

Be sure to cite all references and the references from this week reading. Please read the lesson (see attachment mentioned: **Lesson**) to respond this week forum question.

**Here is this week reading references you should use to cite for this assignment:**

Mary Caprioli and Mark Boyer, “Gender, Violence, and International Crisis,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 45, No.4 (2001): 503-518. <http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/3176309>

Jack S. Levy, “Domestic Politics and War,” *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* Vol. 18, No. 4 (Spring 1988): 653-673. <http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/204819>

James Fearon, “Rationalist Explanations for War,” *International Organization*, Vol. 49, No. 3 (1995): 379-414. <http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/2706903>

Stephen van Evera, “Offense, Defense, and the Causes of War,” *International Security* Vol. 22, No.4 (1998): 5-43. <http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/2539239>

Robert Gilpin, “The theory of Hegemonic War,” *The Journal of Interdisciplinary History* Vol. 18, No 4 (Spring 1988): 591-613.  [http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/20481](http://ezproxy.apus.edu/login?url=http://www.jstor.org/stable/204816)

**P.S: Email from my professor concerning me getting bad grade for the past 4 weeks for the weekly forum assignment.**

**Professor comment received December 1, 2015:**

**“One of the reasons that your grades for the forums are where they are is because you are not actually using the class material to address the forum question. Your forum post doesn't refer to any of the class readings at all, so it is hard for me to assess whether you are even reading them. Have a good thanksgiving.”**

**“You should focus on the forum question. Also, make sure to use the readings that you were assigned for some of your references.”**

**Expert, please when responding to my weekly post cite the weekly material (The reading), I will appreciate that. Please look for the reading & resources attachment.**