Issues and Challenges

Directions: Outlining  Read this section in your textbook to complete the outline below.

I. Prior to 1991, Russians had little experience with _______________ government, which has led to problems.
   A. The president has the power to issue _______________ , which do not need the approval of the legislature.
   B. President Putin appointed _______________ who would support his policies as heads of districts.
   C. Many citizens do not understand how the _______________ works, and thus they do not know how to change it.

II. Russia has shifted to a _______________ economy.
   A. Economic success has brought rising crime and business _______________.
   B. The _______________ of economic change have not reached all of Russia’s people.
   C. Because people did not trust banks, the government created the _______________ system.

III. Regional rivalries have made it difficult to _______________ Russia.
   A. Ethnic groups launched _______________ to form independent countries.
   B. Disagreements with the _______________ separatists continue.

IV. Russia is a major _______________ power.
   A. The country has worked to _______________ ties with other countries.
   B. Some countries are concerned about the president’s declining support for _______________ .
   C. Former Soviet countries worry that some Russian leaders want Russian influence to _______________ in their countries.