

*Understanding the Israeli/Palestinian Conflict*

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**Palestine-Israel Primer**. Answer the following questions.

1. Explain what the conflict is really about. (Not looking for just a one or two word answer)
  
2. Explain the claims of both sides:  
Israelis:  
  
Palestinians:
  
3. In the 1900's who controlled the land in this region?
  
4. Explain the concept of Zionism.
  
5. List some events that occurred which brought about support from Western countries for a Jewish state.
  
6. Explain why Orthodox Jews were not originally in favor of Zionism and later changed their minds.
  
7. What promise did the British make to the Arabs about WWI?
  
8. Explain the Balfour Declaration.
  
9. Describe the areas that France and Great Britain were given Mandates over:  
France: \_\_\_\_\_ Great Britain: \_\_\_\_\_
  
10. Why were there clashes between Arabs (Palestinians) & Jews in the British Mandate area.
  
11. After WWII, the United Nations took over Palestine. What did they do with the land?
  
12. Why did the Palestinians disagree with the United Nations plan?

13. When the British pulled out of Palestine and Israel declared itself a country what happened?
14. How was the land of Palestine split?
15. How many Palestinian refugees were there and why did they leave?
16. Describe the Palestinian population in the Middle East today. Who they are, numbers and where they live.
17. Describe why the Israelis fought alongside the French and British and the results.
18. Briefly describe the 6 day war (1967) and its results.
19. List the occupied territories and the view of them by the Israelis and the international community.
20. How do the Israelis and the Palestinians view Jerusalem?
21. What do the letters PLO represent and what do members want?
22. What happened at the Camp David Accords?
23. What was the purpose of the Oslo Accords and why did the Camp David Accords fail?