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# Chapter 6: Israel

## **Internet Activity**

The dispute over territory in the Holy Land began thousands of years ago and continues to the present day. In this lesson, you will learn about the creation of the State of Israel from land formerly known as the British Mandate of Palestine. You'll use an interactive timeline and a video to gather information, fill out a notes table, and create a word art graphic to illustrate important topics and themes.





### Part 1: Background Information

**Directions:** For this section, you will use the overview video from the Council on Foreign Relations website "Crisis Guide: The Israel-Palestinian Conflict", found at <a href="http://bit.ly/crisis48">http://bit.ly/crisis48</a>. Watch the intro, then watch until 4:46 of the Overview video. Then, answer the questions below.

1)	What was the purpose of the Zionist movement?
2)	When the Ottoman Empire was broken up after World War I, which country was chosen to rule
	the land known as Palestine?
3)	Why did Arabs and Zionist Jews attack the government in Palestine in the 1920s, 1930s, and 1940s?
4)	What did the United Nations do in 1947? How were their actions received by the groups competing for control of Palestine?
5)	How did the Holocaust affect attitudes toward the need for an independent Jewish state?

#### **Part 2: Guided Notes**

Directions: Using the Crisis Guide website, read the events under the "Mandate Period" and the first 2 events under "The Arab-Israeli Wars" and use the information to fill out the notes chart on the next page. Summarize the key events and their importance to the Arab-Israeli conflict in your own words.



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Person/Event	Summary	Importance in conflict
1914-1918: World War I / End of Ottoman Empire		
1922: The British Mandate		
1937: The Peel Commission		
1939-1945: World War II & The Holocaust		
1947-1948: Partition & War		
1948: UN Resolution 194		

#### Part 3: Create a Word Cloud

**Directions:** To create your word cloud, go to <a href="http://www.wordclouds.com/">http://www.wordclouds.com/</a>. Click the **Wizard** link, then "Type or Paste text", then type in your notes from Part 2 above. You can, in fact, type your notes in a word processor first, and then copy and paste them into the box. Either way, when you are done, follow the next steps to edit your word cloud.

You'll notice that some words are larger than others. That's because the website checks your text and makes words larger if they are used more often. You can go to the "Word List" and try larger or smaller numbers to change the size of each word. Also, try the **Font, Colors**, and **Shape** menu items to change the look of your word cloud. Also, you may need to drag the +/- slider to the left to make all of your words visible.

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