

Middle East

Background

Today we are going to study the regional history of the Middle East following the First World War!

Remember that this material has a direct impact on current events.

Enjoy!

Assignment

1) What aspects of Middle East sustained the interest of Britain and France’?

2) Contrast the actions of concluding secret allied treaties carving up the Middle East and forming mandates, with the principle of self-determination.

3) What was the Picot-Sykes Agreement?

4) What was the Balfour Report?

5) Why was the situation in Palestine getting very complicated?

6) Identify the "pattern" followed by British and French troops in Egypt during the inter-war years.

7) Why were Britain and France hesitant about leaving?

8) By the end of the Second World War, what two significant changes had occurred which would impact superpower involvement in the Middle East?

9) Why was nationalism so intense within both the Israeli and Arab communities?

10) Identify three reasons for Britain's involvement in Middle Eastern affairs.

11) What was the Arab League? (Britain initially supported the Arab League.)

12) After its creation, what became the Arab League's objectives?

13) What is a Zionist?

14) How did Europe generally feel about the Zionist movement?

15) The Royal Navy refused to let Jewish refugees reach their destination, which showed Jewish leaders that Britain was not following up on the Balfour Declaration.

What was the Balfour Declaration?

16) Why did British opinion begin to shift against the Jews?

17) Why do you think Britain handed over responsibility for Palestine to the United Nations?

18) What did the United Nations recommend?

19) Did Britain support this recommendation?

20) What happened on 14 May 1948?

21) Complete the following chart of the Palestinian War and the Suez War . . .

	<i>Palestinian War, 1948</i>	<i>Suez War, 1956</i>
<i>Key Players</i>		
<i>Aggressor</i>		
<i>Cause</i>		
<i>Result</i>		
<i>Significance</i>		

22) Complete the following chart of the Six Day War and the Yom Kippur War . . .

	<i>Six Day War, 1967</i>	<i>Yom Kippur, 1973</i>
<i>Key Players</i>		
<i>Aggressor</i>		
<i>Cause</i>		
<i>Result</i>		
<i>Significance</i>		

23) Complete the chart on the Camp David Accord.

<i>CAMP DAVID ACCORDS</i>	<i>Why Care – Significance / Outcomes / Consequences</i>			
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24) Create a Mind Map on developments in Lebanon.

Lebanon

25) Define . . . Islamic Fundamentalism.

26) Describe key developments in Iran before the Shah's bloodless revolution.

27) What were the main reforms of the Shah's of bloodless revolution.

What was his main reform, and did the people accept it?

28) After the Shah fled in 1979, the Ayatollah Khomeini returned from exile.

What was the nature of his revolution?

29) Under the Ayatollah Khomeini's rule, Iran became a theocracy. Define this term.

30) What did Saddam Hussein fear? Why?

31) Why did the Western powers support Saddam?

32) When it was clear that neither the fundamentalists nor Saddam was going to win, how was the war resolved? (Both sides had begun to bomb each other's capital cities.)

33) Complete the chart on the Persian Gulf War.

<i>Persian Gulf War</i>	<i>Why Care - Significance / Outcomes / Consequences</i>
<p><i>When & Where</i></p>	
<p><i>What</i></p>	
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34) Complete the chart on the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

<i>Afghanistan</i>	<i>Why Care – Significance / Outcomes / Consequences</i>			
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35) Complete this map of the Middle East.

