

Rothschild - family an international banking & financial dynasty  
of German Jewish origin

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**Aim:** How was the state of Israel created and why did this lead to conflict?

**Do Now:** Imagine you were forced out of your home, but return many years later. Upon your return, you find that another family, whose customs and traditions are very different from yours, is occupying your home. How would you feel about this? Would this lead to conflict?

I would feel deprived of my homeland. This would lead to conflict because I would feel that I want my land back and it is unfair for it to have been given away to someone else

➤ PowerPoint Presentation

### Jews & the Diaspora



- 70 A.D. Jews rebelled against Roman rule
- Romans captured the capital at Jerusalem
- Romans destroyed the Jewish temple
- 135 A.D. Jews were forced off and warned to never return
- Hed to Europe, Asia, Africa; known as Diaspora

### Zionism - quest for a homeland

**Theodore Herzl:** Russian Jew who led the Zionist Movement in the 1880's

**Zionism:** movement to establish a Jewish homeland in Israel  
They also wanted freedom from western anti-Semitism



1914 WWI

### Promises in Palestine

**Promise to the Arabs:** In return for support against Ottoman Empire during WWI  
Great Britain promised the Arabs independence

**Promise to the Jews:** giving the Jewish a homeland

Dear Lord Rothschild

I have much pleasure in conveying to you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, the following declaration of sympathy with Jewish Zionist aspirations which has been submitted to and approved by the Cabinet.

His Majesty's Government view with favor the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object. It is understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine, or the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in another country.

I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.

Lord Balfour, November 1917

**Question: How did Britain's actions in Palestine lay the groundwork for the on-going conflict between the Jews and the Arabs in the Middle East today?**

Britain's actions in Palestine lay the groundwork for the on-going conflict between the Jews and the Arabs in the Middle East because they promised something to both Jews and Arabs that contradicted each other. Similar to India and Africa.

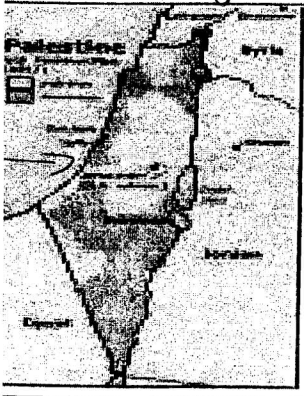
**Results of Britain's promise:**

In 1920, there was 1 Jew to every 10 Arabs in Palestine.  
By 1947, the ratio was 2 Arabs for every Jew.



...why else might the Jews be fleeing Europe?

Jewish has greater access to water



### The Issue of Partition

By end of WW II Britain turns to the UN to help settle the issue of partition.

UN Resolution: 55% of the land would go to Jews  
45% goes to Arabs

Response: ~~Arabs are going~~ Jews accepted it  
Arabs rejected it believing the whole land of Palestine was rightfully theirs

### The Creation of Israel

May 14, 1948. Zionist leader David Ben-Gurion proclaimed the establishment of the Jewish state called Israel



### Arab - Israeli Conflict: 1948

- Neighboring Arab countries (Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan) refuse to recognize Israel and immediately declare war
- Defeated by the Israelis because of alliances
- Jordan seizes West Bank, Egypt took Gaza Strip, Israel took all of both
- End of 1949 more than 1 million Palestinian Arabs had been forced to leave



➤ How might al-Nakba (the Catastrophe) lead to Palestinian nationalism?

People are going to feel deprived and angry and are going to wanna fight back for what is theirs. They're going to turn to other Arab countries



## Palestinian Nationalism & The P.L.O.

➤ What is the message of this cartoon?

➤ P.L.O (Palestinian Liberation Organization)

formed by President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt, by 1967 leads P.L.O, feared Israel's strength <sup>in</sup> Middle East

➤ Goals: Liberation of Palestine  
Destruction of Israel

➤ Tactics: Guerrilla warfare; bombings, airplane hijackings, massacred Israeli athletes @ 1972 Olympics in Munich

➤ Intifada ("Uprising") of 1987: young Palestinians who had grown up under Israeli occupation began a series of violent demonstrations



## Conflict Continues...

canal = man made waterway

### 1956: "Suez Crisis"

- Israel, Britain and France attacked Egypt to seize the Suez Canal
- Soviet Union and the U.S. stop them

### 1967: "Six Day War"

- Arab states vs. Israel
- Israel wins in 6 days
- Lands gained: Gaza Strip & Sinai Peninsula from Egypt.
- East Jerusalem

### 1973: "Yom Kippur War"

- Egypt & Syria launch a surprise attack on Israel on the holy day of Yom Kippur
- Israel wins
- regains parts of the Sinai Peninsula from Egypt



took 11 Israeli hostages & killed them  
Organization of Petroleum

### Peace in the Middle East??



#### Camp David Accord (1978)

- President Jimmy Carter invites Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat and Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin to a meeting at Camp David

#### Resolutions:

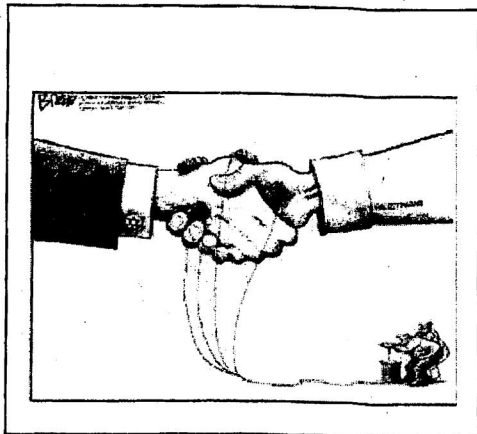
Israel is going to return lands taken from Egypt  
ends 30 years of hostilities  
either their countries are angry, break off ties  
Sadat was killed by Arab extremists  
who saw the accord as a

Accord = agreement



#### Oslo Accord (1993)

- Prime minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel & P.L.O. chairman Yassir Arafat met to negotiate peace agreement in exchange some limited self-rule



- What is the message of this cartoon?

The message is that whenever peace agreements will be made there's going to be blown up.

Agreed  
Negotiations are blown out of hand