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Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Web Quest

Directions: *Follow the links below to answer the corresponding questions. You may use other sources for further clarification. Be specific and use examples and quotes from the sources given. You may type your answers below in Microsoft Word or on lined piece of paper, numbering the questions accordingly.*

Geography:

1. Go to "**One Land, Two Peoples**." What U.S. state is about the same size as Israel?

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2. Go to **Guardian: Israeli-Palestinian Conflict – A History Interactive**

   a. Who controlled Palestine/Israel from the sixteenth century until the World War I?
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   b. What was the Balfour Declaration and what did it promise?

   c. Why were many European Jews immigrating to Palestine/Israel around the period of World War II?

   d. What was the Arab reaction to the increase in Jewish immigrants from Europe?

   e. What was the 1947 United Nation Plan and who was to get what out of it?

   f. What happened during the Six Day War and what was the result?

   g. What happened during the Yom Kippur War and what was the result?

   h. Since the Yom Kippur War, what has Israel done to acquire more land? Use examples mentioned in interactive.

   i. Describe the Oslo Accords and its goals and results.

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3. Go to "**Middle East Information and Research Project**."Palestinian Arab Refugees." About how many Palestinian refugees left during the fighting between 1947-48? _____

    a. Why did they leave their homes?

4. Go to "United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East **(Refugee Camp Map)."** Looking at the map (click to zoom in). List the total amount of refugees (camps and not in camps):

    a. Jordan _____
    b. Lebanon _____
    c. Syria _____
    d. West Bank _____
    e. Giza _____

5. Go to **Two Peoples, Divided**. Click on the "**Show Legend**" button in the top right corner. **Question:** What do the areas marked in **BLUE** represent and what problems might their locations cause given the hostility between the Palestinians and the Israelis (Remember: The West Bank is supposedly Palestinian controlled)?

Israeli Perspective:

1. Go to **Pro-Israel.org – The Friends of Israel Portal** (Watch the Flash video and answer the questions below).

    a. How is Israel's government different than the surrounding Arab and Iranian governments?

    b. For every Israeli, there are how many Arabs and Iranians?

    c. For every dollar Israel spends on its military, the Arab/Iranian countries spend how much?

    d. Does Israel have crude oil reserves (This means oil to make gasoline, etc.)?

2. Go to **Jewish Virtual Library: Index of Myths: Refugees**: "One million Palestinians were expelled by Israel from 1947-49."
    Question: Why did Palestinian refugees flee according to this source?

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3. Go to the **Jewish Virtual Library: Index of Myths: Settlements "Israel has no right to be in the West Bank. Israeli settlements are illegal."**
   Question: Why are Israeli settlements legal according to this source?

Palestinian Perspective:

1. Go to **Palestine Monitor: Israeli Settlements**.
   Question: What does this source have to say about the Israeli settlements in the West Bank or Palestinian territory?

2. Go to **Time Magazine: The Palestinians by James Nachtwey** and (View the Flash slideshow. Browse through the different sections.)
   Question: What does life seem to be like for Palestinians and what complaints might they have against Israel?

3. Go to **If Americans Knew: Home Demolitions**.
   Question: Why does the Israeli government demolish some Palestinian homes?

Using the Internet as a Resource:

1. Find **THREE** more facts/information favoring the Israeli side of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (In parenthesis, put the site you found the fact):

   a. Facts/Information #1:

   b. Facts/Information #2

   c. Facts/Information #3

2. Find **THREE** more facts/information favoring the Palestinian side of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (In paranthesis, put the site you found the fact):

   a. Facts/Information #1

   b. Facts/Information #2

   c. Facts/Information #3