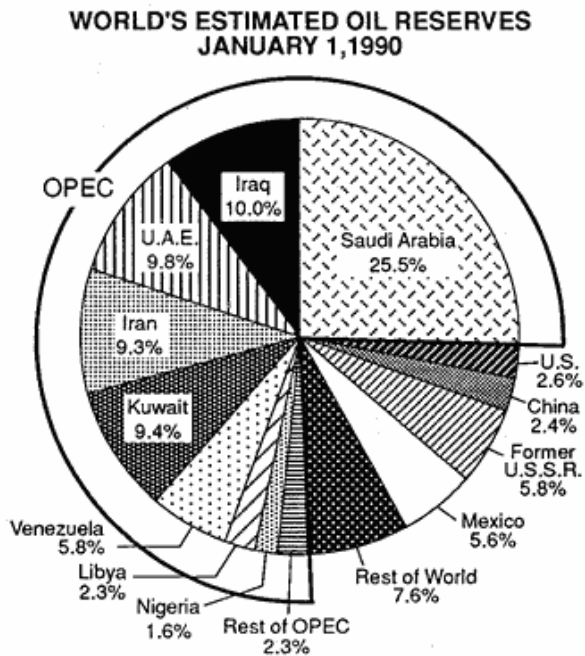


## Middle East Practice Questions

Base your answers to questions 1 and 2 on the graph below.



1 Which conflict developed most directly as a result of international concerns over access to the oil reserves of an OPEC member country?

- (1) Iranian Revolution
- (2) Persian Gulf War
- (3) Soviet invasion of Afghanistan
- (4) Israeli-Palestinian conflict

2 Based on this graph, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is best able to do which of the following?

- (1) ensure peace between its members
- (2) create a military alliance
- (3) influence world oil supply and prices
- (4) unite the Middle East under one government

3 The Ten Commandments are to Judaism as the Five Pillars are to

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| (1) Buddhism | (2) Shinto |
| (3) Hinduism | (4) Islam  |

4 A major cause of the Islamic Revolution in Iran in 1979 was the concern by Islamic leaders that

- (1) traditional values were being undermined by Western ideas
- (2) women were being denied political rights
- (3) Israel had lost its influence in the Middle East
- (4) religious leaders were becoming too powerful

5 Base your answer to the following question on "the chart below and on your knowledge of social studies.

<b>World Oil Reserves by Region and Availability</b>		
Region	Oil Reserves (billion barrels)	Availability (number of years)
Middle East	660	110
Latin America	125	51
Former Soviet Union & Eastern Europe	60	13
Africa	59	28
Asia, Australia, & New Zealand	47	20
North America	42	10
Western Europe	18	13
<b>World</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>44</b>

Source: State of the World 1991, W.W. Norton

Which conclusion about world oil reserves can best be drawn from the information in the chart?

- (1) Most of the people in Latin America are employed by the oil industry.
- (2) Searching for alternative fuel sources is no longer necessary.
- (3) The Middle East accounts for less than half the world's oil reserves.
- (4) The former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe have fewer years of oil reserves available than Africa does.

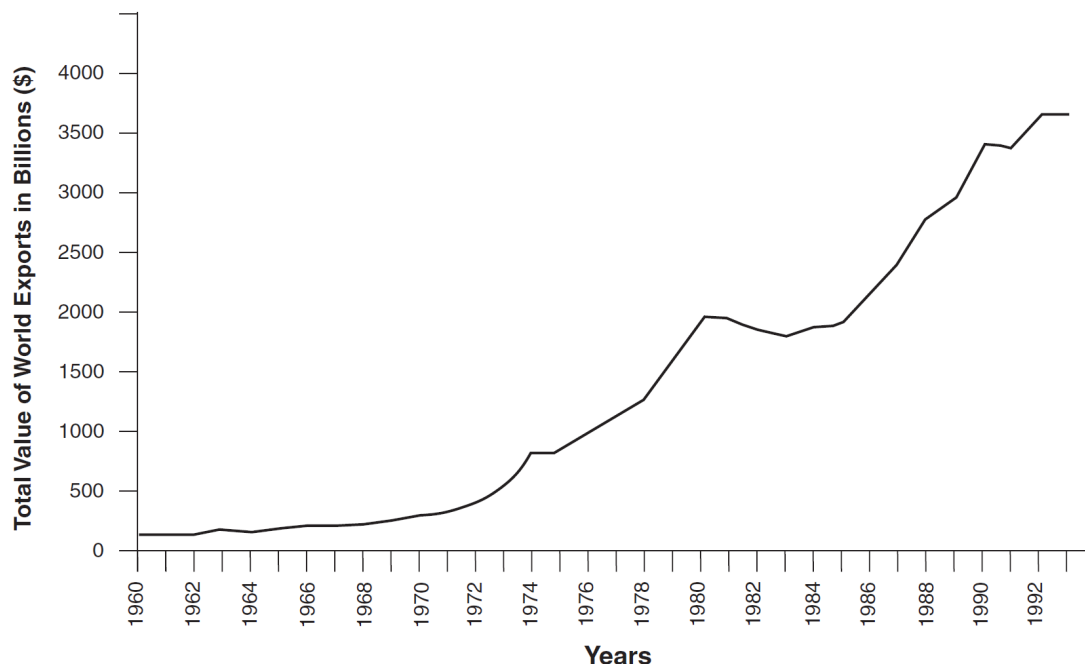
6 Which pair of natural resources were used to change transportation and manufacturing in Great Britain during the Industrial Revolution?

- (1) gold and salt
- (2) diamonds and petroleum
- (3) copper and tin
- (4) coal and iron ore

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7 Base your answer to the question on the graph below and on your knowledge of social studies .

**Moving Goods: Expansion of Global Trade, 1960–1993**



What is a major reason for the trend illustrated by the graph?

- (1) the fall of communist governments in Eastern Europe
- (2) the formation of oil cartels, such as the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (3) an increase in global interdependence resulting from modern technology and expanded trade agreements
- (4) a general decline in the standard of living for people in developing countries

8 The Crusades have been called "history's most successful failures."

Which statement best explains this expression?

- (1) The Crusades did not achieve their original goals, but they brought about many desirable changes in Europe.
- (2) Although the Crusaders captured the Holy Land, they were unable to bring about democratic reforms.
- (3) The Crusades helped bring about the fall of the Roman Empire.
- (4) The Crusaders prevented the Turks from capturing Constantinople for many centuries.

9 In the 19th century, a major reason the British wanted to control the Suez Canal region was to

- (1) ensure easier access to India
- (2) facilitate the slave trade in eastern Africa
- (3) promote nationalism in Egypt
- (4) improve farming in the Middle East

10 Which region is globally significant because of its strategic location, its major oil reserves, and its historic importance as the birthplace of three major religions?

- (1) Latin America
- (2) Western Europe
- (3) Southeast Asia
- (4) Middle East

11 What was a major reason the cities of Babylon, Harappa, and Kiev became important centers of civilization?

- (1) River valley trade made them key economic areas.
- (2) Their control of nearby straits made them powerful.
- (3) Direct access to the ocean made them pilgrimage sites.
- (4) Their locations near mountain passes made them gateways to other regions.

12 The development of which early civilization was influenced most directly by the Tigris River, the Zagros Mountains, and the Syrian Desert?

- (1) Chinese
- (2) Maya
- (3) Egyptian
- (4) Mesopotamian

## Middle East Practice Questions

- 13 In the Middle East during the Golden Age of Muslim culture, scholars were encouraged to
- (1) reject all knowledge that was Western in origin
  - (2) ignore the achievements of Chinese culture
  - (3) preserve and expand ancient Greek and Roman learning
  - (4) accept medieval western European religious ideas
- 14 Since the creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), member nations have joined together to
- (1) determine the supply of oil on the world market
  - (2) establish a policy of independence in trade
  - (3) maintain a low price of oil per barrel
  - (4) isolate themselves from the rest of the world
- 15 The city of Jerusalem is important because it
- (1) serves as the financial center of the Middle East
  - (2) is a major port for Israel
  - (3) has religious significance for Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
  - (4) has become the center of industrial development for Palestinian Arabs
- 16 A long-term effect of the Balfour Declaration on the Middle East was the
- (1) oppression of the Kurds by the government
  - (2) conflict between the Palestinians and the Israelis
  - (3) strengthening of parliamentary rule in Turkey
  - (4) establishment of a two-party system in Lebanon
- 17 The adoption of the Eastern Orthodox religion and the Cyrillic alphabet by the Russian people occurred as a result of
- (1) territorial expansion during the reign of Catherine the Great
  - (2) the westernization policies of Peter the Great
  - (3) contact with Byzantine culture in the 10th century
  - (4) the influence of the Crusaders during the Middle Ages
- 18 In many developing nations, real economic growth, as measured by income per person, is most hindered by
- (1) increasing attempts to bring about democracy
  - (2) continued foreign investment in industry
  - (3) the depletion of oil reserves
  - (4) a high birthrate
- 19 The main reason oil-producing states formed the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was to
- (1) promote foreign ownership of oil fields
  - (2) lift economic sanctions and establish free trade
  - (3) improve trade relations with the West
  - (4) influence the price of oil and set production levels
- 20 Which individual is correctly paired with the historical event he helped influence?
- (1) Kwame Nkrumah — independence of Ghana
  - (2) Ho Chi Minh — destruction of Buddhist shrines in Afghanistan
  - (3) Lech Walesa — creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
  - (4) Anwar Sadat — establishment of a secular republic in Turkey
- 21 What was a major reason the Soviet Union established satellite states in Eastern Europe after World War II?
- (1) developing better trade relations with the West
  - (2) creating a buffer zone against future invasions
  - (3) participating in United Nations peacekeeping missions
  - (4) controlling the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- 22 The primary goal of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has been to
- (1) establish an independent state for Palestinian Arabs
  - (2) settle disputes between Shiite and Sunni Muslims
  - (3) control the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
  - (4) seize control of the Suez Canal
- 23 Which statement is true about the influence of geography on Japan?
- (1) Extensive flat, fertile plains have enabled Japan to export rice.
  - (2) Rich deposits of oil have made Japan a leader in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).
  - (3) Japan's location near India has allowed for much cultural diffusion.
  - (4) Scarcity of natural resources has resulted in Japan's becoming an importer of raw materials.

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24 Base your answer to this question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.



*Source: Mountain High Maps, Digital Wisdom (adapted)*

What do the darkest areas of this map represent?

- (1) former republics of the Soviet Union
- (2) current members of the European Union
- (3) original member countries of the Warsaw Pact
- (4) recent additions to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

25 A primary purpose for building the Suez Canal was to

- (1) encourage Jewish settlement in nearby Palestine
- (2) increase trade between the Middle East, Europe, and Asia
- (3) reduce the time needed for travel between the Atlantic Ocean and the Caribbean Sea
- (4) allow Indian merchants to reach the east coast of Africa

26 Most of the world's known oil reserves are located near which geographic area?

- (1) Persian Gulf
- (2) North Sea
- (3) Ural Mountains
- (4) Gulf of Mexico

27 During the Neolithic Revolution, production of a food surplus led directly to

- (1) a nomadic lifestyle
- (2) a reliance on stone weaponry
- (3) an increase in population
- (4) a dependence on hunting and gathering

28 Judaism, Islam, and Christianity share a belief in

- (1) the central authority of the Pope
- (2) a prohibition on the consumption of pork
- (3) reincarnation and the Four Noble Truths
- (4) monotheism and ethical conduct

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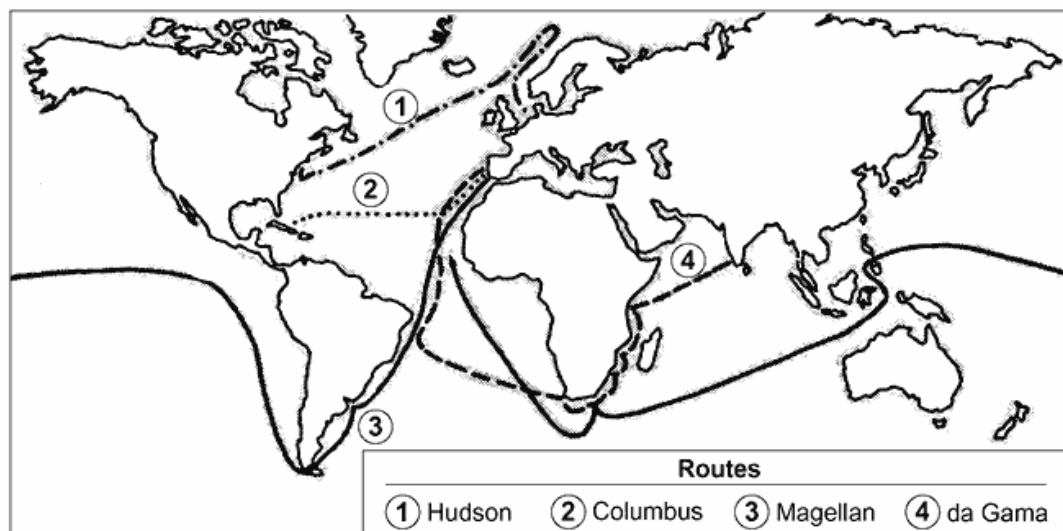
29 Base your answer to the following question on the following graph and your knowledge of social studies.



Which of the following contributed most directly to the trend depicted on this graph?

- (1) Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (2) European Economic Community (Common Market)
- (3) North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- (4) United Nations (UN)

30 Base your answer to the following question on the map below.

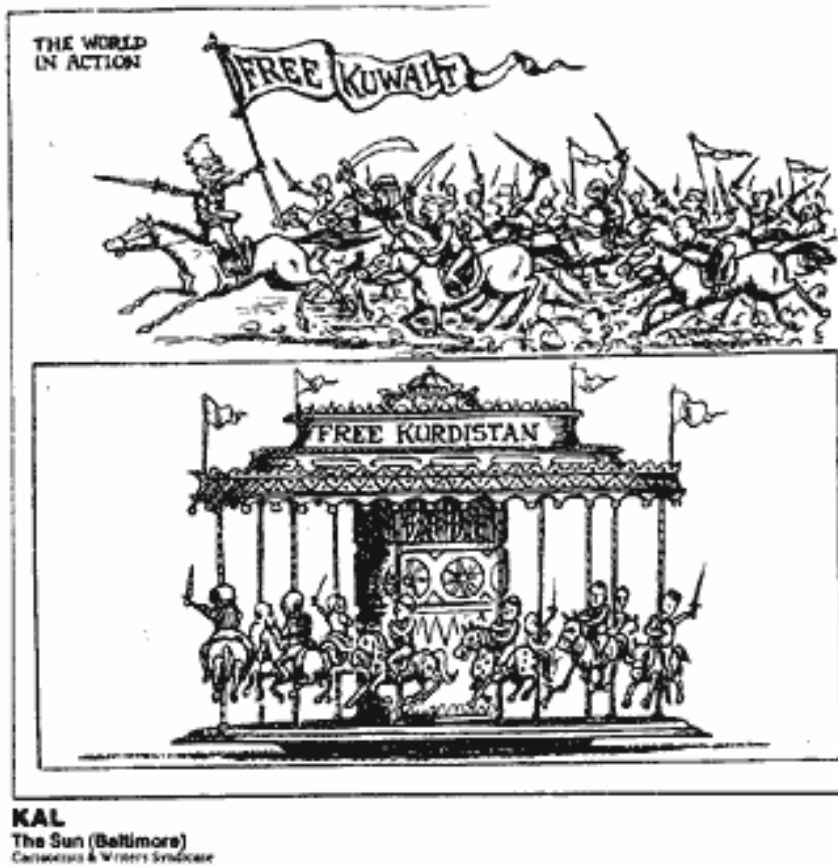


A historian could best use this map to study which of the following?

- (1) European voyages of exploration
- (2) Trans-Atlantic slave trade
- (3) trade routes along the Silk Road
- (4) routes of the Crusaders

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- 31 Base your answer to the following question on the following cartoon and your knowledge of social studies.



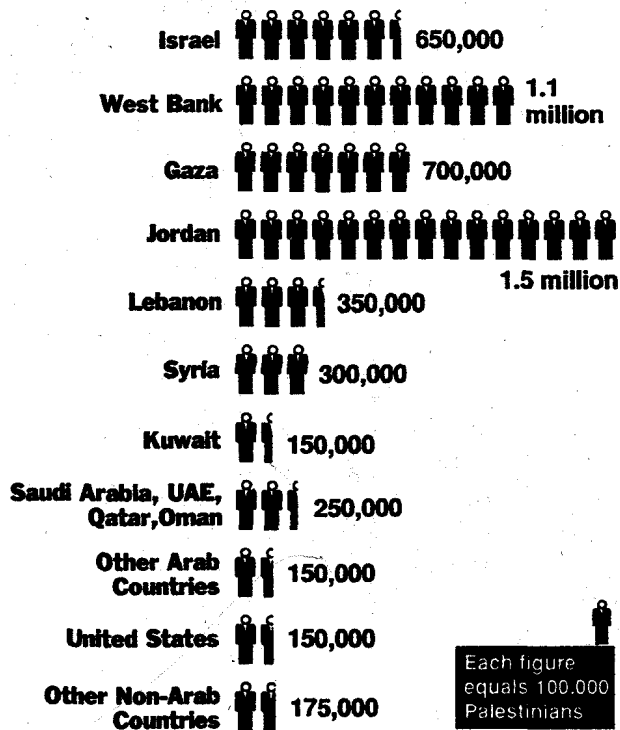
A historian could best use this cartoon to study which of the following?

- (1) Cultural differences in uses of the horse across the world
  - (2) Inconsistent international support for self-determination
  - (3) Positive perspectives on the influence of the United Nations in promoting fairness in the Middle East
  - (4) Support for the nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
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- 32 A major factor that continues to contribute to terrorist activities in the Middle East is
- (1) a decrease in crude oil prices on the world market
  - (2) the Palestinian effort to establish a homeland
  - (3) the presence of United Nations forces in Syria
  - (4) the worldwide rejection of violence as a means to end conflict
- 33 The histories of Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, and Finland have been greatly affected by their
- (1) proximity to Russia
  - (2) abundant oil reserves
  - (3) aggressive foreign policies
  - (4) alliances with Israel
- 34 Which statement is a valid generalization about the geography of Africa?
- (1) The continent of Africa has diverse resources and topography.
  - (2) Most African nations have vast oil reserves.
  - (3) The nations of North Africa are dominated by rain forests.
  - (4) The irregular coastline of Africa provides many excellent harbors.
- 35 One reason the cultures of North Africa developed differently from the cultures of the rest of Africa was that these areas of Africa were separated by the
- (1) Congo River Basin
  - (2) Great Rift Valley
  - (3) Sahara Desert
  - (4) Arabian Sea

## Middle East Practice Questions

Base your answers to questions 36 and 37 on the chart below and on your knowledge of social studies.

### Location of the roughly 5.5 million Palestinians May 1991



Source: *The New York Times*

36 Based on the information in the chart, which location would most likely need to consider Palestinian public opinion as a primary factor when formulating its policies?

- (1) the United States      (2) Kuwait  
(3) Syria                      (4) Jordan

37 The chart shows the distribution of Palestinians throughout the Middle East and other parts of the world. This distribution is partially the result of the

- (1) Arab-Israeli wars  
(2) takeover of Iran by fundamentalist Moslems  
(3) Truman Doctrine  
(4) civil war in Bosnia

38 The Armenian Massacre, the "killing fields" of the Khmer Rouge, and Saddam Hussein's attacks against the Kurds are examples of

- (1) apartheid  
(2) enslavement  
(3) human rights violations  
(4) forced collectivization

39 Base your answer to the following question on the secondary source below.

The basic idea of this book is simple: to tell the story of the Crusades as they were seen, lived, and recorded on 'the other side'- in other words, in the Arab camp. Its content is based almost exclusively on the testimony of contemporary Arab historians and chroniclers...

*Source: Amin Mallouf, The Crusades Through Arab Eyes, Al Saqi Books*

Which statement best explains why the point of view of this source is described as "the other side"?

- (1) Most Arab people who lived through the Crusades could not read or write.  
(2) Arabs lived on the other side of the world from the Crusaders.  
(3) Historians have often studied the Crusades from a European perspective.  
(4) The Arab point of view of the Crusades was only written down many years later.
- 40 Base your answer to the following question on the illustration below and on your knowledge of social studies.



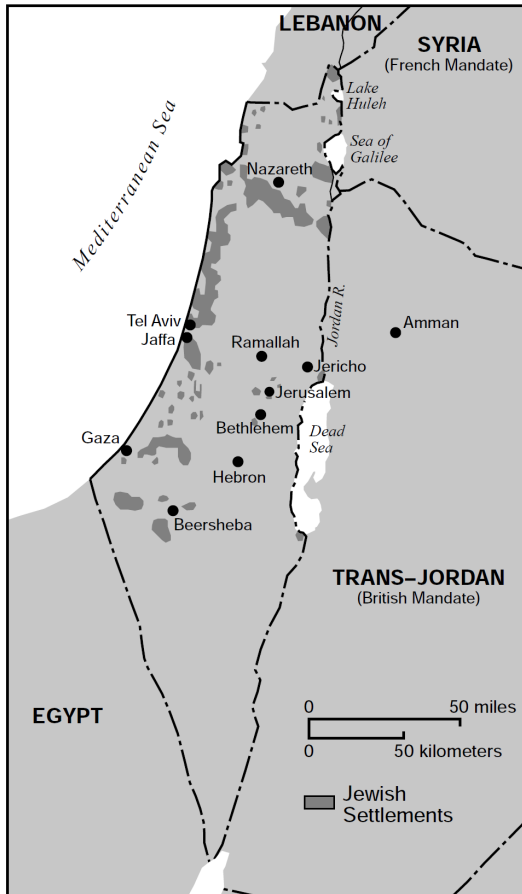
The illustration would most likely have been used to support

- (1) negotiations between the Israeli Government and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)  
(2) the formation of agricultural cooperatives on the West Bank  
(3) the creation of an Arab Palestinian state hostile to Israel  
(4) continued Israeli occupation and settlement of the Gaza Strip and West Bank

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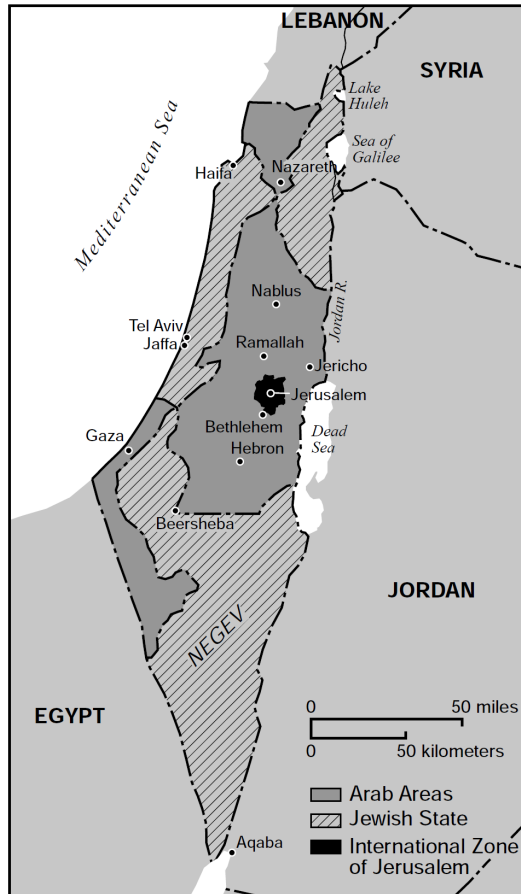
Base your answers to questions 41 through 44 on the following maps and on your knowledge of social studies.

**Palestine (British Mandate), 1920–1948**



Source: Perry-Castañeda Library Map Collection, University of Texas at Austin (adapted)

**United Nations' Partition Plan, 1947**



Source: Peter N. Stearns, et al., *World Civilizations: The Global Experience*, Pearson Longman, 2005 (adapted)

41 What would be the best use for this pair of maps?

- (1) to explain why European powers used the mandate system
- (2) to examine the relationship between fresh water and Arab settlement patterns
- (3) to understand a reason used to establish boundaries for partition
- (4) to illustrate the advantages Palestinian Arabs have over Arabs living in Egypt

42 Which situation was a contributing factor in the decision to partition British Palestine as shown on the 1947 map?

- (1) mass migrations following the Holocaust
- (2) decolonization from French rule
- (3) capture of the Suez Canal
- (4) formation of the Warsaw Pact

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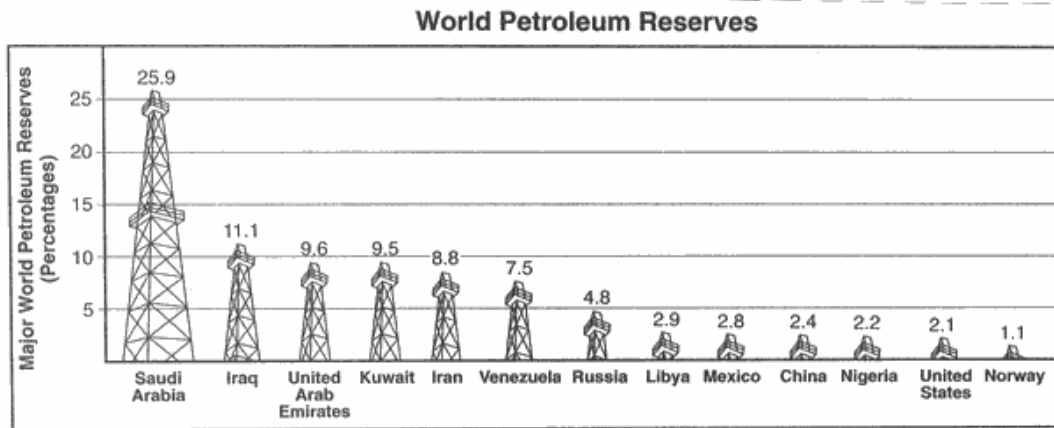
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Base your answers to questions 45 and 46 on the graph below.



Source: John T. Rourke, *International Politics on the World Stage*, McGraw-Hill, 2003 (adapted)

45 A historian could best use this graph to study which of the following?

- (1) petroleum use in industrialized countries
- (2) oil exports from Saudi Arabia
- (3) natural resources in the Middle East
- (4) conflicts over access to petroleum

46 Which of the following developments resulted most directly from information shown on this graph?

- (1) creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (2) signing of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
- (3) formation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- (4) adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

47 The 1979 signing of the Camp David accords led directly to

- (1) the assassination of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin
- (2) Palestinian self-rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip
- (3) a military alliance between Arab nations
- (4) a formal peace agreement between Egypt and Israel

48 In Egypt, Gamal Abdel Nasser's seizure of the Suez Canal continued his policy of

- (1) attracting investments from Western banks
- (2) supporting the rights of British workers
- (3) eliminating criticism of political opponents
- (4) establishing national control of vital resources

49 From the perspective of many Arab Muslims at the time of the Crusades, the European Crusaders were considered

- (1) refugees
- (2) liberators
- (3) invaders
- (4) allies

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50 Base your answer to the following question on the image below.



A historian could best use this image to study which of the following?

- (1) Crusaders attacks on Jerusalem
- (2) Spanish conquest of the Aztec Empire
- (3) manor system in Medieval Europe
- (4) impacts of the Black Death

51 The phrase “from southern Spain, across northern Africa, occupying the Arabian peninsula to Southeast Asia” once described the extent of the

- (1) Aztec Empire
- (2) Pax Romana
- (3) Gupta Empire
- (4) Muslim world

52 The Middle East is of global importance today because it

- (1) has become a model of economic and political equality
- (2) allows major European powers to retain their spheres of influence
- (3) provides much of the petroleum used by industrial nations
- (4) remains a primary source of uranium

53 The primary goal of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has been to

- (1) establish a home state for Palestinian Arabs
- (2) eliminate Communist influence in the Arab nations
- (3) bring about a peaceful settlement of the conflicts between Egypt and Palestinian Arabs
- (4) control the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

54 One similarity in the unification of Italy, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the breakup of Yugoslavia is that all were fueled by

- (1) imperialism
- (2) terrorism
- (3) Marxism
- (4) nationalism

## Middle East Practice Questions

- 55 Base your answer to the following question on the cartoon below and on your knowledge of social studies.



**Source:** Brian Barling, *Christian Science Monitor*, April 25, 2008

What is the main idea of this cartoon?

- (1) Petroleum is being overproduced.
  - (2) The demand for petroleum exceeds production.
  - (3) Fossil fuels are unevenly distributed.
  - (4) The demands of global environmental groups have increased.
- 56 "His majesty's government views with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national homeland for the Jewish people . . . it being clearly understood that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the religious and civil rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine. "
- Lord Balfour, 1917
- Which historical movement is most directly related to Lord Balfour's statement?
- (1) Pan Slavism
  - (2) Organization for African Unity
  - (3) Pan Africanism
  - (4) International Zionism
- 57 The fall of the Byzantine Empire to the Ottoman Turks (1453) prompted Spain and Portugal to
- (1) seek new trade routes to East Asia
  - (2) extend religious tolerance to Muslim peoples
  - (3) reform their political systems
  - (4) expand the Catholic Inquisition into the Middle East

- 58 Base your answer to the following question on the maps below and on your knowledge of social studies.

### Distorted World Maps

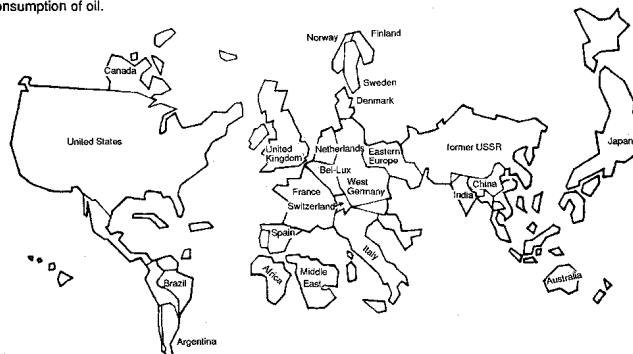
#### Oil Reserves

This map represents nations in terms of total oil now known to be available to meet future energy needs.



#### Oil Consumption

This map shows nations scaled in proportion to their consumption of oil.

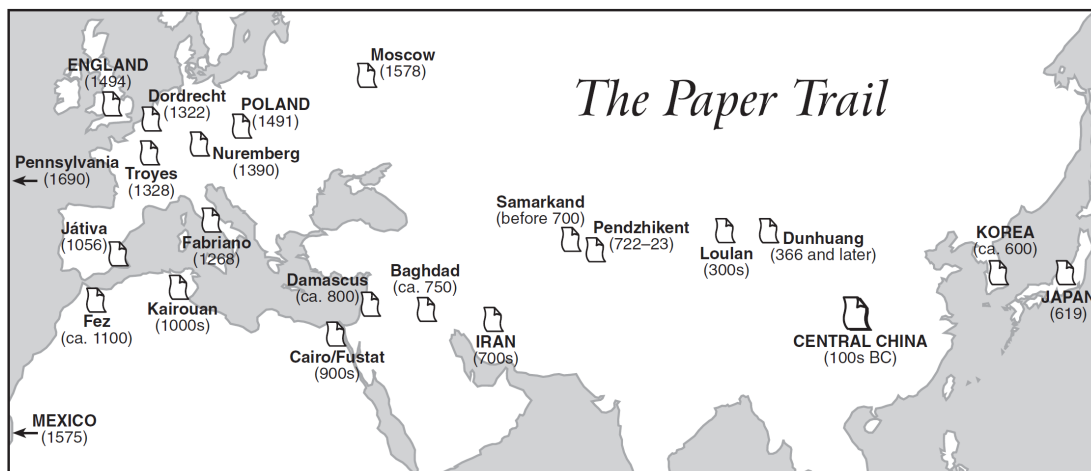


A comparison of these maps shows that oil reserves are roughly equal to oil consumption in

- (1) Japan
  - (2) Eastern Europe
  - (3) China
  - (4) the former USSR
- 59 The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is best known for its efforts to
- (1) develop workable alternatives to fossil fuels
  - (2) bring Western oil technology to the Middle East
  - (3) stop the export of oil to non-Arab nations
  - (4) establish production quotas to control the price of oil
- 60 A major feature of the Golden Age of Muslim culture was the
- (1) political and economic isolation of the Arab world
  - (2) development of the foundations of modern science and mathematics
  - (3) adoption of democratic government
  - (4) persecution of Jews and Christians
- 61 Which event brought about the breakup of the Ottoman Empire?
- (1) Sino-Japanese War
  - (2) Six-Day War
  - (3) World War I
  - (4) World War II

## Middle East Practice Questions

62 Base your answer to the following question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.



*Source: Aramco World, May/June, 1999 (adapted)*

The technology of papermaking traveled from China to Baghdad along the

- |                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| (1) Saharan caravan trails | (2) Trans-Siberian Railway |
| (3) Silk Roads             | (4) Suez Canal             |

63 Base your answer to the following question on this cartoon from 1994 below.



This main idea of this cartoon most clearly shows the influence of which of the following?

- (1) creation of the United Nations
- (2) the end of the Cold War
- (3) creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (4) conflict between Israelis and Palestinians

64 In which region are most member-nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) located?

- |                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| (1) Latin America | (2) Europe    |
| (3) Middle East   | (4) East Asia |

65 The reason that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) greatly influences the world today is that it

- (1) commands the loyalty of the worldwide Islamic community
- (2) develops and exports important technology
- (3) controls access to trade routes between the East and West
- (4) manages the oil supply that affects the global economy

66 The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was formed primarily to

- (1) give member nations more influence in world markets
- (2) force developing countries to abandon policies of nonalignment
- (3) help Middle Eastern nations form alliances with Western powers
- (4) allow the Soviet Union to develop greater influence in the Middle East

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- 67 Base your answer to the following question on the cartoon below and on your knowledge of social studies.



What is the main idea of this 1994 cartoon?

- (1) Israelis have become poorer because of their struggle with the Palestinians.
  - (2) Various economic problems continue despite Palestinian autonomy in the Gaza region.
  - (3) Israel is willing to invest large amounts of money in developing Gaza.
  - (4) Peace has finally come to the Gaza region.
- 68 Which type of government was established by Ayatollah Khomeini as a result of the Iranian Revolution in 1979?
- (1) constitutional monarchy
  - (2) fundamentalist Islamic state
  - (3) democratic republic
  - (4) radical Marxist regime
- 69 The treatment of intellectuals under the rule of the Khmer Rouge, of the Jews in Europe during World War II, and of the Armenians in the Ottoman Empire are examples of
- (1) cultural diffusion
  - (2) fundamentalism
  - (3) modernization
  - (4) genocide
- 70 One similarity in the leadership of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk in Turkey and that of Shah Reza Pahlavi in Iran was that both leaders
- (1) conquered neighboring countries
  - (2) began the process of westernization in their nations
  - (3) promoted traditional Islamic practices
  - (4) supported the establishment of communes

- 71 Base your answer to the following question on the passage below.

"...The Nazi Holocaust, which engulfed millions of Jews in Europe, proved anew the urgency of the reestablishment of the Jewish state, which would solve the problem of Jewish homelessness by opening the gates to all Jews and lifting the Jewish people to equality in the family of nations..."

The events described in this passage contributed most directly to which of the following?

- (1) the Nuremberg Trials
  - (2) expulsion of Jews from Spain
  - (3) Israeli-Palestinian conflict
  - (4) formation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- 72 One reason the Japanese followed a policy of expansionism before World War II was to gain
- (1) warm-water ports
  - (2) control of Tibet
  - (3) additional natural resources
  - (4) control of the Suez Canal
- 73 An important long-term result of the Crusades in the Middle East was the
- (1) increased tension between Muslims and Christians
  - (2) destruction of Muslim military power
  - (3) creation of a large Christian state on the Red Sea
  - (4) restoration of the Byzantine Empire
- 74 A problem that faced the Austro-Hungarian Empire and the Ottoman Empire and now faces the Soviet Union is the
- (1) effect of urbanization on a rural population
  - (2) monopoly of the traditional church
  - (3) inability to produce modern weapons
  - (4) tension between many different ethnic groups
- 75 Which characteristic was common to ancient civilizations in Egypt, Sumer, China, and Mexico?
- (1) monotheist religion
  - (2) written forms of communication
  - (3) influence of European cultures
  - (4) nomadic lifestyle

## Middle East Practice Questions

- 76 Base your answer to the following question on the circle graph below and on your knowledge of social studies.



Which is a valid conclusion based on the information in the graph?

- (1) Only Middle Eastern nations are members of OPEC.
  - (2) Events in the Middle East have little effect on world oil prices.
  - (3) No major oil reserves exist in Latin America.
  - (4) Members of OPEC control approximately 75% of the world's oil reserves.
- 77 One reason the Suez Canal has been of strategic importance to countries other than Egypt was that the canal
- (1) allowed for faster movement between the North Atlantic Ocean and the Indian Ocean
  - (2) enabled Europeans to explore the Western Hemisphere
  - (3) made it easier for Russia to gain control of Afghanistan
  - (4) provided the Austro-Hungarian Empire with access to its colonies in South Asia

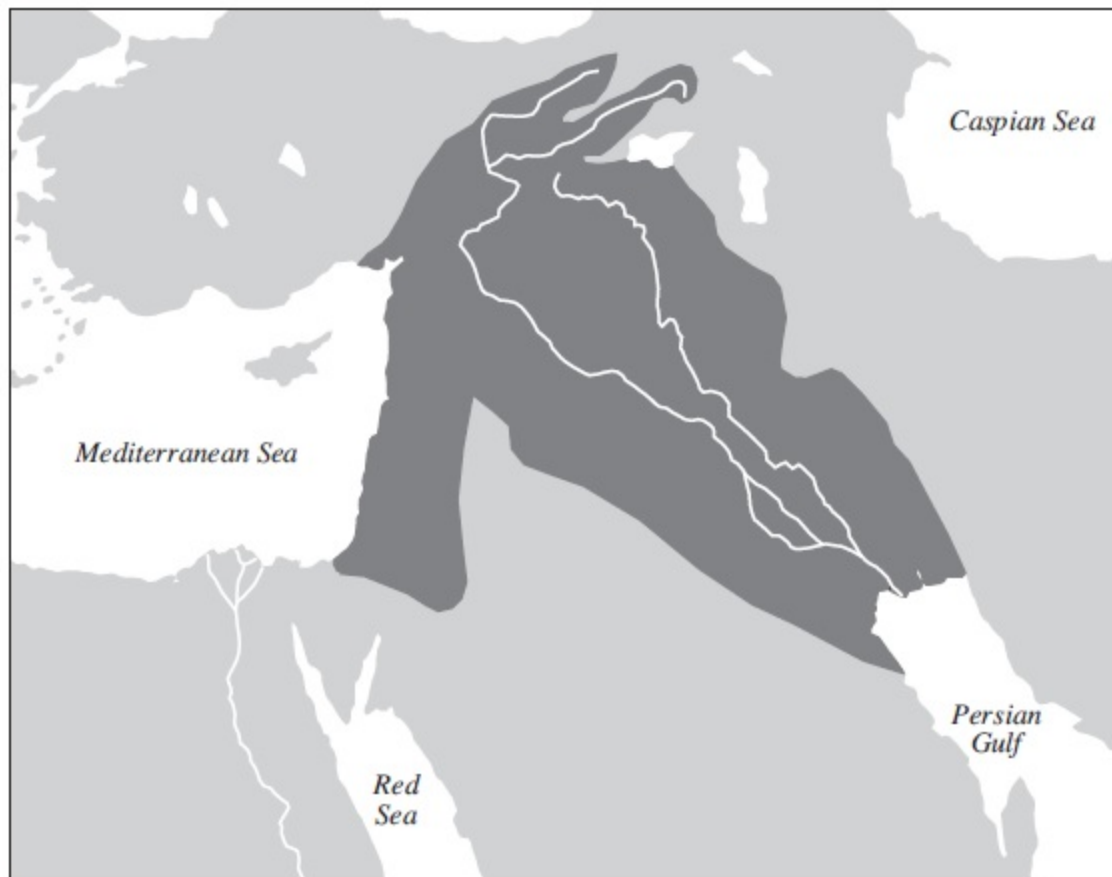
- 78 Since the 1980s, the major source of the conflict between Israel and Palestinian Arabs has been
- (1) the presence of Israeli ships in the Suez Canal
  - (2) the interference of Libya in Middle Eastern affairs
  - (3) the demand of Palestinian Arabs for their own homeland
  - (4) Soviet support for radical Arab groups in occupied territories
- 79 The Panama Canal and the Suez Canal are strategic bodies of water because they serve as
- (1) sources of hydroelectric power
  - (2) barriers against imperialism
  - (3) gateways to other places
  - (4) reservoirs for irrigation
- 80 Pamphlet on the philosophy of Zionism  
Balfour Declaration  
Oslo Accords

These documents are most closely associated with the controversy over

- (1) efforts by the United Nations to restrict child slavery and indentured servitude
  - (2) production of oil by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
  - (3) trade agreements established by the World Trade Organization (WTO)
  - (4) control of land in the Middle East by Palestinians and Jews
- 81 The continued importance of the Middle East to the global economy is based on its
- (1) research facilities
  - (2) exports of manufactured goods
  - (3) semiarid climate
  - (4) quantity of oil reserves
- 82 The British government took control of the Suez Canal and Singapore during the 19th century in order to
- (1) sell petroleum to these territories
  - (2) gain more converts to Christianity
  - (3) ensure safe passage on strategic waterways
  - (4) transport laborers directly to the Americas

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83 Base your answer to the following question on the following map and your knowledge of social studies.



Source: Simon Adams et al., *Illustrated Atlas of World History*, Random House, 1992 (adapted)

The area of this map represented by the dark gray area was best known in the ancient world as which of the following?

- (1) Fertile Crescent
- (2) Indus Valley Civilization
- (3) Yellow River Civilization
- (4) Aztec Empire

84 The Fertile Crescent that lies between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers has had a significant impact on the Middle East because this area was the site of the

- (1) establishment of the first global empire
- (2) formation of the State of Israel
- (3) invasion of Kuwait by Iraq
- (4) development of early centers of civilization

85 The main reason that oil-producing states formed the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was to

- (1) allow foreign ownership in oil fields
- (2) influence the price of oil and set production levels
- (3) improve diplomatic relations with the West
- (4) lift economic sanctions and establish free trade

86 The kingdoms of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai were all able to achieve golden ages in part because of their

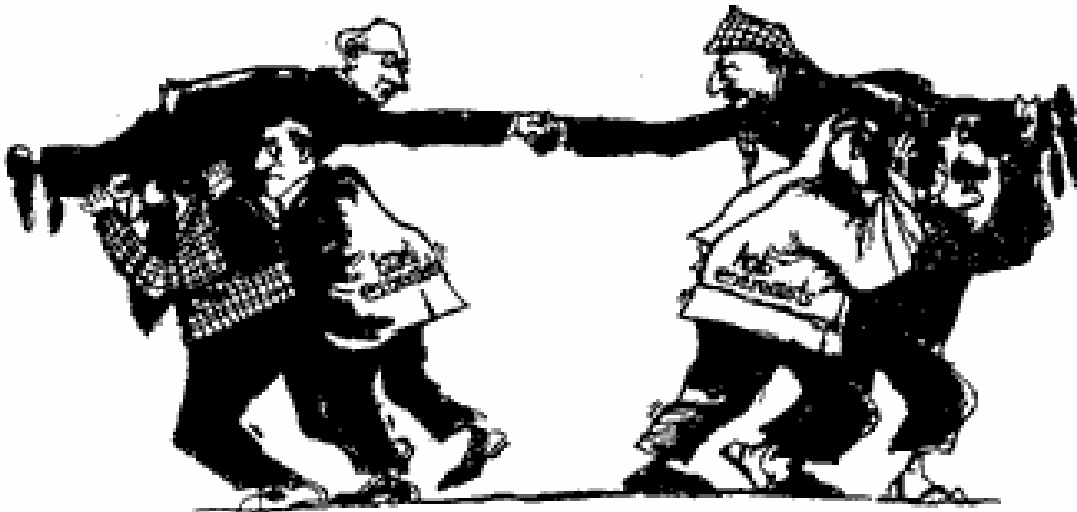
- (1) reliance on sugar plantation in the Niger delta
- (2) control of trans-Saharan trade routes
- (3) discovery of oil reserves in the Gulf of Guinea
- (4) ability to use the natural harbors on the Atlantic Ocean coast

87 The code of Hammurabi is an example of

- (1) written rules for legal procedures
- (2) the power of strong kings to control trade
- (3) regulations on the way to conduct wars against neighboring nations
- (4) the power of a legislature to veto laws passed by absolute monarchs

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88 Base your answer to the following question on the cartoon below and on your knowledge of social studies.



Mike Luckovich  
Atlanta Constitution

What is the main idea of this political cartoon about the Middle East?

- (1) Peace between Israelis and Palestinians has little chance of succeeding.
- (2) Israeli and Palestinian leaders strongly oppose peace talks.
- (3) Israeli and Palestinian extremists have joined forces to bring peace to the Middle East.
- (4) The peace efforts of Middle Eastern leaders are hindered by radical groups on each side.

89 Base your answer to the following question on the passage below.

"... Christian warriors, He who gave His life for you, today demands yours in return. These are combats worthy of you, combats in which it is glorious to conquer and advantageous to die. Illustrious knights, generous defenders of the Cross, remember the examples of your fathers who conquered Jerusalem, and whose names are inscribed in Heaven; abandon then the things that perish, to gather unfading palms, and conquer a Kingdom which has no end."

— *St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

Which claim is best supported by this passage?

- (1) Knights who joined the Crusades acted primarily out of self-defense.
- (2) The kingdoms of Europe were more advanced than the Islamic Empire at the time of the Crusades.
- (3) Crusaders believed that they had the right to take over land controlled by the Islamic Empire.
- (4) The primary goal of the Crusaders was to conquer the entire world.

90 Base your answer to the following question on the passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

"... His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object, it being clearly 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 any other country. . .

This 1917 passage is taken from a document known as the

- (1) Truman Doctrine
- (2) Marshall Plan
- (3) Fourteen Points
- (4) Balfour Declaration

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Base your answers to questions **91** and **92** on the passage below.

...In order to obtain Arab support in the War, the British Government promised the Sherif of Mecca in 1915 that, in the event of an Allied victory, the greater part of the Arab provinces of the Turkish Empire would become independent. The Arabs understood that Palestine would be included in the sphere of independence.

In order to obtain the support of World Jewry, the British Government in 1917 issued the Balfour Declaration. The Jews understood that, if the experiment of establishing a Jewish National Home succeeded and a sufficient number of Jews went to Palestine, the National Home might develop in course of time into a Jewish State.

— *Summary of the Report of the Palestine Royal Commission, 1937*

91 Which later development was encouraged by the Balfour Declaration described in this passage?

- (1) Palestinian control of the West Bank and Gaza Strip
- (2) Allied victory in World War II
- (3) independence for Saudi Arabia
- (4) creation of the nation of Israel

92 The events described in this passage contributed most directly to which of the following?

- (1) creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (2) British alliances during World War II
- (3) conflicts over control of land in the Middle East
- (4) the peace agreement reached under the Camp David Accords

93 When Kemal Ataturk became the political leader of Turkey, his policies differed from those of the Ottoman Empire. One difference between these policies was that

- (1) Western ideas and practices were adopted
- (2) a limited monarchy was established
- (3) Islamic fundamentalism became a major political force
- (4) imperialism was used to gain territory in Europe

94 Base your answer to the question on the passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

...The dispute about whether it [Armenian Massacre] was genocide centres on the question of premeditation—the degree to which the killings were orchestrated.

Many historians, governments and the Armenian people believe that they were; but a number of scholars question this.

Turkish officials accept that atrocities were committed but argue that there was no systematic attempt to destroy the Christian Armenian people. Turkey says many innocent Muslim Turks also died in the turmoil of war....

-BBC News

This *BBC News* article suggests that scholars often have

- (1) differing historical perspectives of the same events
- (2) difficulty knowing the order in which events have occurred
- (3) serious obstacles in bringing those responsible for atrocities to trial
- (4) trouble determining the role religion plays in events

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Base your answers to questions 95 and 96 on the Palestinian poem below.

"The time has come for you to go  
Live where you like, but not among us. . . .  
Get out of our soil, our sea, our wheat, our salt, our  
wounds.

[Get] out of the memory of our memories...."

— Mahmoud Darwish, *Palestinian poet*

95 The point of view in this poem most directly shows the influence of which of the following?

- (1) British imperialism in India
- (2) Camp David Accords
- (3) membership of Palestine in the United Nations
- (4) creation of the nation of Israel

96 Based on this poem, Mahmoud Darwish would most likely support which of the following?

- (1) increased Jewish immigration to Israel
- (2) the partition of India
- (3) building of Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip
- (4) creation of an independent nation of Palestine

97 Which factor led to the development of civilizations in ancient Mesopotamia?

- (1) political harmony
- (2) favorable geography
- (3) religious differences
- (4) universal education

98 What was a major cause for the shift in European trade from the Mediterranean Sea to the Atlantic Ocean during the late 1400s?

- (1) Ottoman Turks seized control of Constantinople.
- (2) The Ming dynasty authorized Zheng He to make long-distance voyages.
- (3) The Tokugawa shogunate adopted an isolationist policy.
- (4) Christian crusaders captured Jerusalem.

99 A major goal of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in world affairs is to

- (1) encourage development of alternative energy sources
- (2) promote international free trade
- (3) provide funds for the World Bank
- (4) regulate oil policies

100 Base your answer to the following question on the cartoon below.



The situation shown in this cartoon most directly resulted from which of the following?

- (1) peace between Israel and Egypt created by the Camp David Accords
- (2) formation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (3) opening of a new factory in Gaza
- (4) an Israeli-Palestinian agreement to transfer control of some territory to Palestinian authorities

101 "If a seignior (noble) has knocked out the tooth of a seignior of his own rank, they shall knock out his tooth. But if he has knocked out a commoner's tooth, he shall pay one-third mina of silver."

— Code of Hammurabi

Which idea of Babylonian society does this portion of the Hammurabi code of law reflect?

- (1) All men were equal under the law.
- (2) Fines were preferable to corporal punishment.
- (3) Divisions existed between social classes.
- (4) Violence was always punished with violence.

102 As the peace process continues in the Middle East, a major stumbling block to a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict is the question of

- (1) ownership and operation of the Suez Canal
- (2) control of the Arabian Peninsula
- (3) representation of Palestinian Arabs and Israelis in the United Nations
- (4) land and civil rights for Palestinian Arabs

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103 Base your answer to the following question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.



**Source:** Colin McEvedy, *The New Penguin Atlas of Recent History: Europe Since 1815*, Penguin Books (adapted)

In 1968, the areas labeled Estonian SSR, Belorussian SSR, and Moldavian SSR referred to

- (1) republics that were part of the Soviet Union
- (2) members of the Central Powers
- (3) independent nations of Eastern Europe
- (4) members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

104 In the 1990s, the action by the Israeli Government that has most divided Israeli society has been the decision to

- (1) grant control of part of the West Bank and Gaza Strip to the Palestinians
- (2) support the United States-led Allied Coalition during the Persian Gulf War
- (3) support the Camp David accords
- (4) oppose Islamic fundamentalist rule in Iran

105 Judaism, Islam, and Christianity share a belief in

- (1) papal supremacy
- (2) teachings of the Koran (Quran)
- (3) reincarnation and the Four Noble Truths
- (4) an ethical code of conduct and monotheism

106 In India today, a major source of conflict has been the

- (1) unequal distribution of wealth between the western and eastern regions of the country
- (2) disagreements between national and local governments over control of India's vast petroleum reserves
- (3) hostility between the Hindu majority and the Muslim and Sikh minorities
- (4) refusal of the Indian Congress Party to hold free elections

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- 107 The Code of Hammurabi of Sumeria, the Twelve Tables of Rome, and the Justinian Code of the Byzantine Empire were similar in that they
- (1) provided a basis for behavior for medieval knights and Japanese samurai
  - (2) are legal systems developed to create order for the society
  - (3) are documents that maintained the position of the upper classes
  - (4) became examples of religious doctrine for other societies
- 108 One reason for the development of an early civilization in the Tigris-Euphrates river valleys was that
- (1) the location protected the people from land invasion
  - (2) periodic flooding left rich soil, which was ideal for farming
  - (3) these rivers provided a direct trade route between Europe and Asia
  - (4) these rivers flowed into the Mediterranean Sea
- 109 The 1967 Arab-Israeli Six-Day War resulted in the
- (1) recognition of Israel's sovereignty by neighboring Arab states
  - (2) destruction of Israel's military
  - (3) establishment of a lasting peace in the Middle East
  - (4) acquisition of the Golan Heights, West Bank, and Gaza Strip by Israel
- 110 The main cause of the Arab-Israeli conflicts from 1948 to 1973 was the clash between
- (1) Islamic fundamentalism and Orthodox Judaism
  - (2) Arab socialism and Israeli capitalism
  - (3) Arab nationalism and Jewish nationalism
  - (4) Israeli technology and Saudi-Arabian economic goals
- 111 Kievan Russia adopted the Eastern Orthodox religion, the Cyrillic alphabet, and different styles of art and architecture through contact with
- (1) traders from South Asia
  - (2) conquering invaders from Mongolia
  - (3) crusaders from western Europe
  - (4) missionaries from the Byzantine Empire

Base your answers to questions **112** and **113** on the passage below.

The Canal was dug by Egypt's sons and 120,000 of them died while working. The Suez Canal Company in Paris is an impostor company. It usurped our concessions. . . Therefore, I have signed today the following law which has been approved by the Cabinet: Article 1 of the decree reads, "The Universal Company of the Suez Maritime Canal — Egyptian Joint Stock Company — is hereby nationalized. All its assets, rights and obligations are hereby transferred to the Nation."

- 112 The events described in this passage led most directly to which of the following?
- (1) a decrease in the power of the Egyptian government
  - (2) an increase in European influence in Egypt
  - (3) an invasion of Egypt by Great Britain, France, and Israel
  - (4) new Egyptian laws to increase workplace safety
- 113 This passage was most likely written by which of the following?
- (1) The Suez Canal Company
  - (2) the government of France
  - (3) a labor union of canal workers
  - (4) Egyptian President Gamal Nasser
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- 114 A major goal of both Zionists and Palestinian Arabs in the Middle East has been to
- (1) unite the Middle East by a single religion
  - (2) strengthen Israel's hold on the West Bank
  - (3) become leaders in the production of oil
  - (4) establish their own independent countries
- 115 Why are the Suez Canal, the Strait of Hormuz, the Dardanelles, and the Bosphorus strategic waterways?
- (1) The nation that controls these waterways can have economic control over other nations.
  - (2) They are natural geographic boundaries and have often separated warring nations.
  - (3) They are located along the Tropic of Cancer, the Equator, or the Tropic of Capricorn.
  - (4) The nations that adjoin these waterways depend on them as a source of freshwater.

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116 Since World War II, the reason the Persian Gulf region has become increasingly important to many industrialized nations is that

- (1) Egypt has undergone rapid modernization
- (2) Israel has given economic assistance to Syria and Saudi Arabia
- (3) Western nations have refused to trade with the Middle East
- (4) the economic strength of the oil-producing nations has increased

117 Which statement best explains why Great Britain and France joined Israel in attacking Egypt when Egypt nationalized the Suez Canal in 1956?

- (1) The European nations wanted control of the oil fields around the Suez Canal.
- (2) The Suez Canal was an important link between European nations and their Asian trading partners.
- (3) Great Britain and France were allies of Israel, which had originally controlled the Suez Canal.
- (4) Seizure of the Suez Canal indicated Egypt's rejection of democratic principles.

118 Base your answer to the following question on the passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

The Canal was dug by Egypt's sons and 120,000 of them died while working. The Suez Canal Company in Paris is an impostor company. It usurped our concessions. . . Therefore, I have signed today the following law which has been approved by the Cabinet: Article I of the decree reads, "The Universal Company of the Suez Maritime Canal — Egyptian Joint Stock Company — is hereby nationalized. All its assets, rights and obligations are hereby transferred to the Nation."

Source: *World History*, Prentice Hall

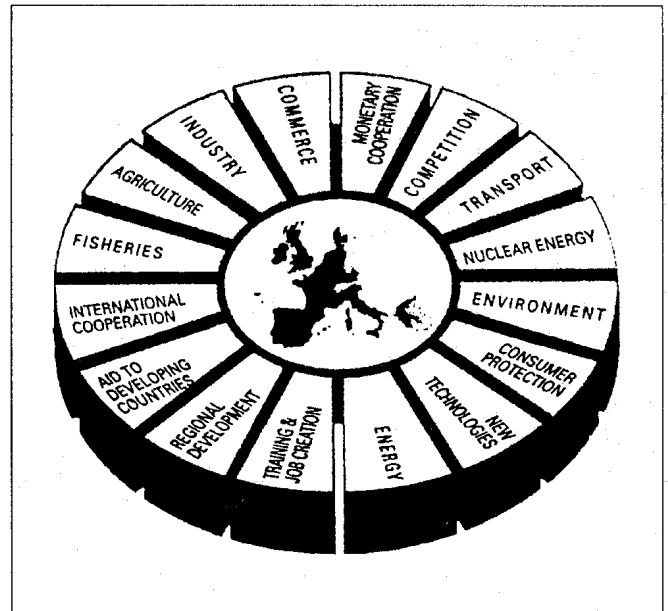
This passage describes the decision of the Egyptian government to

- (1) end trade with Mediterranean countries
- (2) stop building canals
- (3) take control of the Suez Canal
- (4) sell the Suez Canal to France

119 One way in which the Seljuk Turks, Mongols, and Crusaders were similar is that they all

- (1) invaded the Middle East and affected its culture
- (2) succeeded in bringing democracy to the Middle East
- (3) moved through the Middle East as nomadic groups
- (4) established permanent empires in the Middle East

120 Base your answer on the diagram below and on your knowledge of social studies.



Source: *World Eagle*, June 1993

This diagram best represents the activities of the

- (1) North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- (2) Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (3) European Union (European Community)
- (4) Warsaw Pact

121 Which two major commodities were traded on the trans-Saharan routes by West African kingdoms?

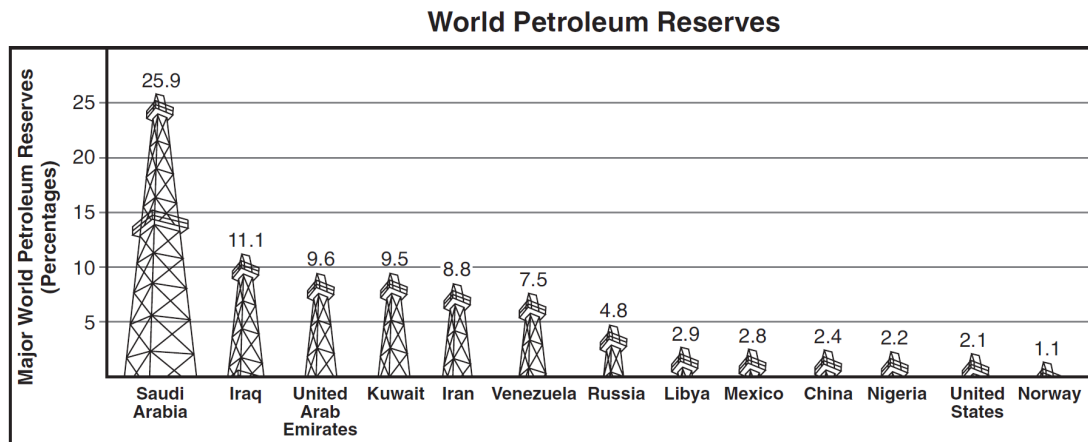
- (1) timber and wheat
- (2) silk and cotton
- (3) gold and salt
- (4) petroleum and spices

122 An important achievement of the Golden Age of Muslim culture was the

- (1) preservation of ancient Greek and Roman ideas
- (2) development of gunpowder
- (3) establishment of trade with South America
- (4) emergence of feudalism as a unifying force

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123 Base your answer to the following question on the graph below and on your knowledge of social studies.



*Source: John T. Rourke, International Politics on the World Stage, McGraw-Hill, 2003 (adapted)*

Which conclusion is best supported by the information provided on this graph?

- (1) The United States has adequate petroleum reserves to meet future needs.
- (2) Nations lacking major petroleum reserves cannot industrialize.
- (3) Overproduction of petroleum products has caused inflation in the Middle East.
- (4) Most of the world's largest petroleum reserves are located in the Middle East.

124 In Iran under Ayatollah Khomeini and in Afghanistan throughout the 1990s, an effect of the Islamic fundamentalist government has been to

- (1) produce an agrarian-based economy
- (2) eliminate anti-Israeli terrorist groups
- (3) create a strong military alliance with the United States
- (4) limit rights for women

125 The Sepoy Mutiny in India, the Boxer Rebellion in China, and the Islamic Revolution in Iran were similar in that they

- (1) restored power to the hereditary monarchies
- (2) attempted to reject the traditional cultures in these countries
- (3) resisted foreign influence in these countries
- (4) reestablished the power of religious leaders

126 Which activity occurred during the Golden Age of Muslim culture?

- (1) destruction of books containing Greek and Roman ideas
- (2) beginning of pilgrimages to Mecca
- (3) opposition to freedom of thought and to foreign ideas by rulers
- (4) major discoveries in mathematics and science

127 The expeditions of the medieval Crusaders, the jihads of the followers of Islam, and the tactics of the Irish Republican Army illustrate that

- (1) actions taken by members of religious groups can often contribute to major conflicts
- (2) only political concerns cause historical events
- (3) the same religion is practiced in the Middle East and in western Europe
- (4) religious diversity causes cultural isolation

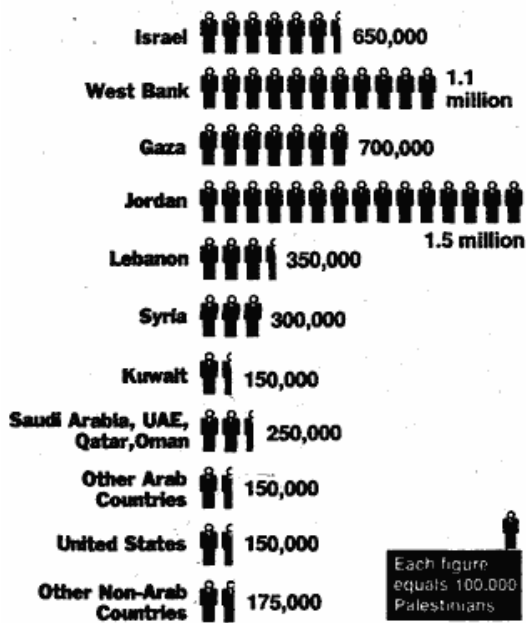
128 The primary purpose of the European Union (European Economic Community) is to

- (1) create a central location for the distribution of goods
- (2) force Eastern European nations to change their trading partners
- (3) establish a tariff-free flow of goods between member nations
- (4) reduce European dependence on foreign oil reserves

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Base your answers to questions 129 and 130 on the graph below.

**Location of the roughly 5.5 million Palestinians  
May 1991**



Source: *The New York Times*

129 A historian could best use this graph to study which topic?

- (1) populations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (2) membership in the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)
- (3) the Palestinian diaspora
- (4) border disputes in the Middle East

130 Which later development transferred control of two locations on this graph to Palestinian authorities?

- (1) Balfour Declaration
- (2) Oslo Accords
- (3) Camp David Accords
- (4) Six-Day War

131 The 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran was a reaction to the failure of Shah Reza Pahlavi to

- (1) modernize the nation's economy
- (2) meet the social and political needs of the people
- (3) establish political ties with Western nations
- (4) supply the military with advanced weapons technology

132 Which statement best describes the Middle East during the 1980s?

- (1) Palestinians in the occupied territories want greater integration into Israeli society.
- (2) The nations of the Middle East have adopted a common foreign policy.
- (3) Arab unity has not been achieved.
- (4) International cooperation has brought about an era of peace.

133 One way in which the Middle Eastern leaders Kemal Ataturk, Shah Reza Pahlavi, and Gamal Nasser were similar is that they all

- (1) tried to achieve Arab unity
- (2) founded the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (3) attempted to modernize their nations
- (4) demanded the establishment of Islamic fundamentalism

134 In the 19th century, a major reason the British wanted to control the Suez Canal region was to

- (1) ensure easier access to India
- (2) facilitate the slave trade in eastern Africa
- (3) promote nationalism in Egypt
- (4) improve farming in the Middle East

135 The Persian Gulf, the Strait of Hormuz, and the Suez Canal are strategically important because they are

- (1) under the control of Communist nations
- (2) at the center of the world's major illegal drug trade
- (3) the cause of friction between Israel and its Arab neighbors
- (4) trade routes for petroleum exports to nations around the world

136 The Suez Canal, the Panama Canal, and the Straits of the Dardanelles are similar because they

- (1) are strategic waterways that have been the center of conflicts
- (2) were part of the French colonial empire
- (3) are located in regions that are rich in natural resources
- (4) were built during the time of the Roman Empire

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137 Base your answer to the following question on the poem below and on your knowledge of social studies.

Palestinian,  
Such is my name, I know.  
It torments and grieves me,  
Their eyes hunt me,  
Pursue me, wound me.  
For my name is Palestinian  
And as they pleased  
They have made me wander.  
— Harun Hashim Rashid

The situation referred to in the poem has resulted, in part, from the

- (1) expansion of Islamic power in North Africa during the 8th century
- (2) increase in the number of nomads after long periods of drought in the Sahara
- (3) establishment of the Mughal Empire in India in the 16th century
- (4) invasion of Israel in 1948 by its Arab neighbors

138 The Balfour Declaration of 1917 encouraged Zionism by

- (1) ordering the withdrawal of the British from Palestine
- (2) supporting the creation of a Jewish homeland in Palestine
- (3) dividing Palestine into separate areas for Jews and Christians
- (4) granting national independence to Palestine

139 "The time has come for you to go  
Live where you like, but not among us. . . .  
Get out of our soil, our sea, our wheat, our salt, our wounds.  
[Get] out of the memory of our memories. . . ."  
— Mahmoud Darwish, Palestinian poet

Which concept is supported by the ideas expressed in this passage?

- (1) socialism
- (2) absolutism
- (3) humanitarianism
- (4) nationalism

140 In 1453, the Ottoman Empire rose to power by defeating the

- (1) Holy Roman Empire
- (2) European crusaders
- (3) Byzantine Empire
- (4) Mongol invaders

141 The Suez Canal has been an important waterway because it

- (1) links the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea
- (2) guarantees protection for Egypt
- (3) separates Israel from its neighbors
- (4) provides water for irrigating the Sahara Desert

142 Since the 1970s, the wealth of many Middle Eastern nations was increased by the

- (1) formation of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)
- (2) expansion of Islamic fundamentalism
- (3) creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (4) development of communes in Israel

143 Great Britain's primary motivation for acquiring control of the Suez Canal in the late 19th century was to

- (1) protect British trade interests in Asia
- (2) introduce democratic principles in this region
- (3) make up for the loss of the Panama Canal
- (4) prohibit the movement of ships from Russia

144 A study of the Indus, Nile, Hwang Ho, Tigris, and Euphrates rivers would be most important in understanding the

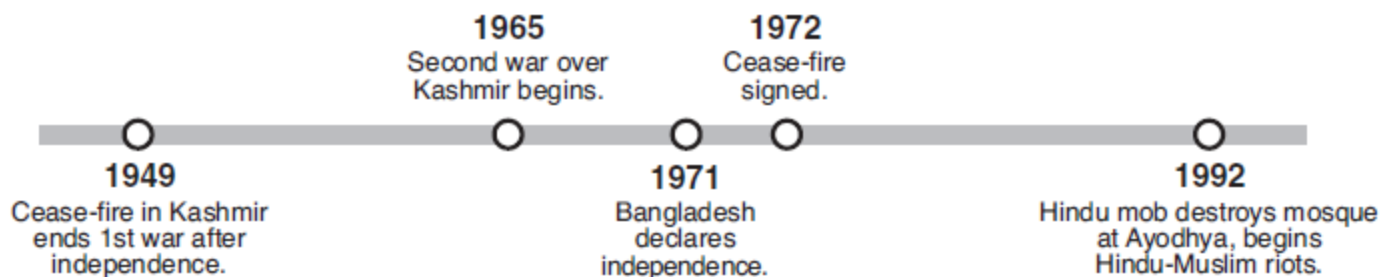
- (1) causes for the decline of the Mayan Empire
- (2) role of geography in the development of early civilizations
- (3) reasons that ancient empires were based on nomadic civilizations
- (4) rise in power of the Muslim empire

145 Iran and North Korea attracted worldwide attention in the early 21st century because they both have

- (1) experienced widespread famine
- (2) discovered oil reserves
- (3) strengthened humanitarian practices
- (4) developed nuclear capabilities

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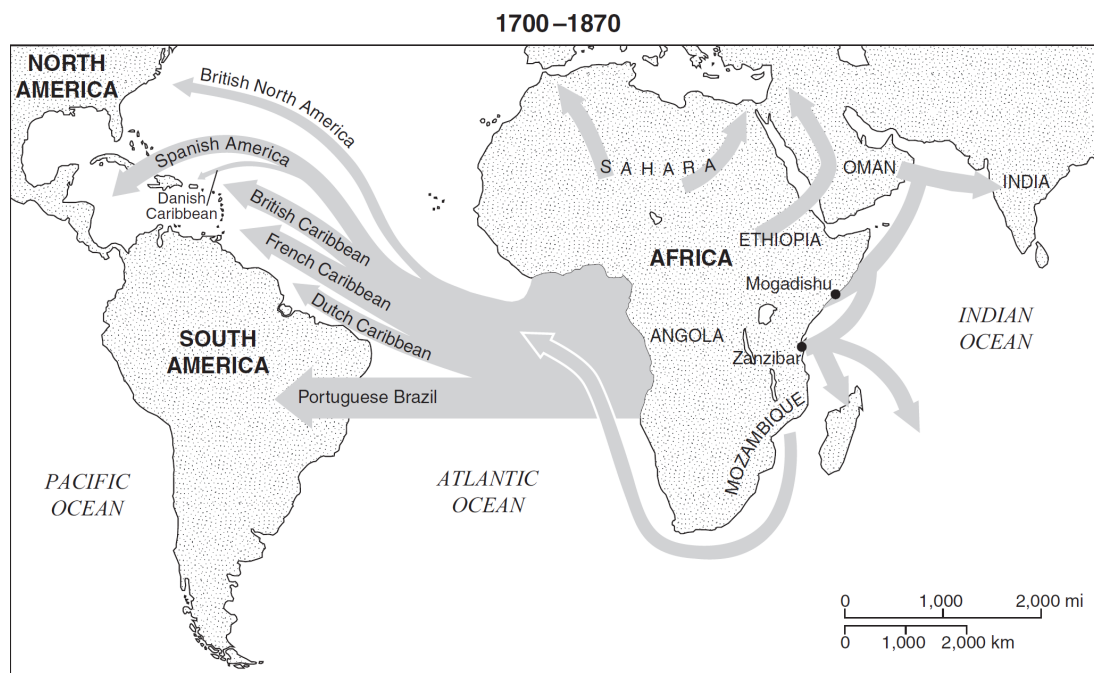
146 Base your answer to the following question on the following timeline and on your knowledge of social studies.



Which earlier development led most directly to many of the events on this timeline?

- (1) Soviet invasion of Afghanistan
- (2) Iranian Revolution
- (3) Partition of India
- (4) creation of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

147 Base your answer to the following question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.



*Source: Les Downtree et al., Diversity Amid Globalization, Pearson/Prentice Hall (adapted)*

What is the best title for this map?

- (1) Gold and Petroleum Trade Routes
- (2) Sources and Destinations of Enslaved Africans
- (3) Obstacles to Colonization of the Western Hemisphere
- (4) Origin and Spread of Nationalist Revolutions

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- 148 In Middle Eastern society, women have increasingly been at the center of a conflict between the forces of modernization and the
- (1) values of traditional Islamic culture
  - (2) pressure for a Palestinian homeland
  - (3) shortage of capital for industrial development
  - (4) need to reduce the birth rate
- 149 The Suez Canal, the Strait of Hormuz, and the Strait of Gibraltar are important because they
- (1) prevent attacks on bordering nations
  - (2) control access to vital trade routes
  - (3) limit Russian access to warm-water ports
  - (4) prohibit the movement of ships carrying nuclear weapons
- 150 Since 1948, a major reason for the conflict between Arabs and Israelis is that each side
- (1) wants the huge oil reserves that lie under the disputed land
  - (2) believes that the United States favors the other side in the conflict
  - (3) claims sovereignty over the same land
  - (4) seeks to control trade on the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea
- 151 One reason the United States and other Western powers fought the Persian Gulf War was to
- (1) safeguard the flow of oil to international markets
  - (2) end the civil war in Lebanon
  - (3) stop the Israeli settlement of the West Bank
  - (4) assist Iraq in its war with Iran
- 152 Which heading best completes the partial outline below?
- |   |
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| I. _____<br>A. Bordered by hostile countries<br>B. Limited arable land<br>C. Scarce water resources<br>D. Intifadas |
|---|
- (1) Reasons for the Pan-Arab Movement
  - (2) Causes of the Islamic Revolution in Iran
  - (3) Challenges Facing Israel as a Nation
  - (4) Factors Leading to Disputes over Tibet
- 153 A continuing Western criticism of the Kuwaiti Government after the Persian Gulf War is that
- (1) most people remain very poor
  - (2) Communists have been appointed to important government jobs
  - (3) women are still denied fundamental political rights
  - (4) Iraq maintains too much influence over Kuwait's foreign policies
- 154 One way in which Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini and Afghanistan's Taliban were similar is that they each
- (1) established an Islamic state
  - (2) sponsored a United Nations Conference on Women's Rights
  - (3) joined the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
  - (4) incorporated communist doctrine into their government
- 155 A primary goal of European Crusaders fighting in the Middle East was to
- (1) establish markets for Italian merchants
  - (2) rescue Pope Urban II from the Byzantines
  - (3) halt the advance of Mongol armies in the Asian steppes
  - (4) secure access to Christian holy sites in Jerusalem
- 156 The major reason Persian Gulf nations have become influential in world economic affairs is that these nations have
- (1) powerful stock exchanges
  - (2) vast petroleum resources
  - (3) outstanding universities
  - (4) Communist governments
- 157 The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was formed with the intent of
- (1) stabilizing the supply of oil to Japan
  - (2) cutting off the supply of oil to the United States and its allies
  - (3) increasing the supply of oil available for use within Middle Eastern countries
  - (4) controlling the supply of oil to raise prices

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158 One of the political lessons demonstrated by the Persian Gulf War (1991) was that

- (1) the United Nations can be a more potent force when many nations of the world agree on common goals
- (2) the United Nations can resolve international disputes without resorting to the use of force
- (3) industrial nations frequently avoid involvement in conflicts outside their immediate geographic area
- (4) small nations involved in international conflicts often reject the assistance of larger industrialized nations

159 Base your answer to the following question on the passage below and on your knowledge of social studies.

... In order to obtain Arab support in the War, the British Government promised the Sherif of Mecca in 1915 that, in the event of an Allied victory, the greater part of the Arab provinces of the Turkish Empire would become independent. The Arabs understood that Palestine would be included in the sphere of independence.

In order to obtain the support of World Jewry, the British Government in 1917 issued the Balfour Declaration. The Jews understood that, if the experiment of establishing a Jewish National Home succeeded and a sufficient number of Jews went to Palestine, the National Home might develop in course of time into a Jewish State.

— *Summary of the Report of the Palestine Royal Commission, 1937*

Which conclusion is best supported by this passage?

- (1) The British made no promises to either the Arabs or the Jews,
- (2) The Arab-Israeli conflict can be traced in part to British promises.
- (3) The United Nations did not try to prevent conflict in the Middle East.
- (4) Only the Jews were promised an independent state in Palestine.

160 Which document is most closely associated with the Arab-Israeli conflict?

- (1) Balfour Declaration
- (2) Kyoto Protocol
- (3) *Communist Manifesto*
- (4) Treaty of Nanjing

161 Which is an accurate statement about Japan's natural resources?

- (1) Japan has extensively used the seas for fishing.
- (2) Large reserves of petroleum are located in the northern part of Japan.
- (3) Japan has large fertile plains suitable for growing grain.
- (4) Large coal and iron-ore deposits are located in the mountain regions.

162 One way in which the European Crusades, the Age of Explorations, and the Islamic Revolution in Iran were similar is that during each period

- (1) religion played an important role in political events
- (2) imperialism led to an increase in traditional values
- (3) self-determination encouraged policies of home rule
- (4) weak central governments led to a return to feudalism

163 "Germany Will Make Reparations For WWI"  
"OPEC Supports Oil Embargo Against Western Nations"  
"UN Imposes Sanctions on Iraq"

Which conclusion can be drawn from these headlines?

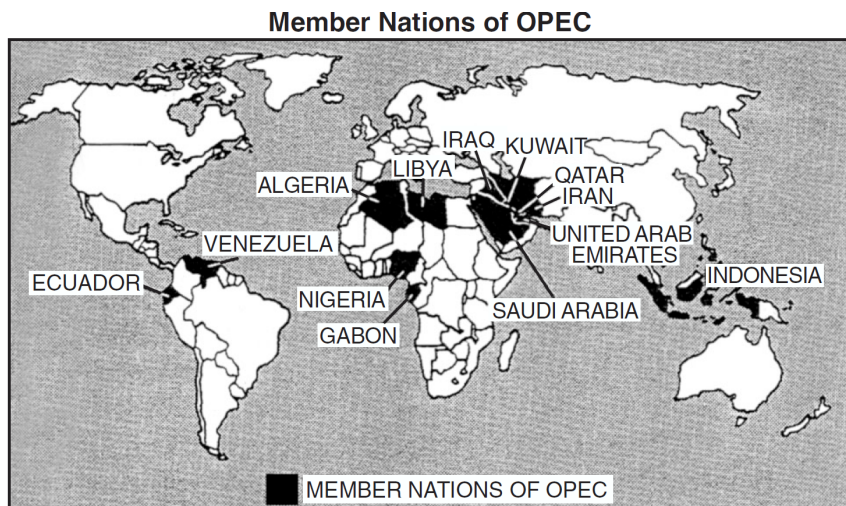
- (1) Economic measures are often designed to achieve political goals.
- (2) Communism as an economic system has failed.
- (3) Economic policies are often formulated to encourage investment.
- (4) Nationalism plays a small role in economic decision making.

164 The conflict between Israel and the Arab nations since 1943 was often considered part of the Cold War primarily because

- (1) the policy of détente evolved from this conflict
- (2) Communist governments were established in many Arab nations
- (3) the leadership of Joseph Stalin strongly influenced the policies of Saddam Hussein
- (4) the United States supported Israel and the Soviet Union supported several Arab nations

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165 Base your answer to the following question on the map below and on your knowledge of social studies.

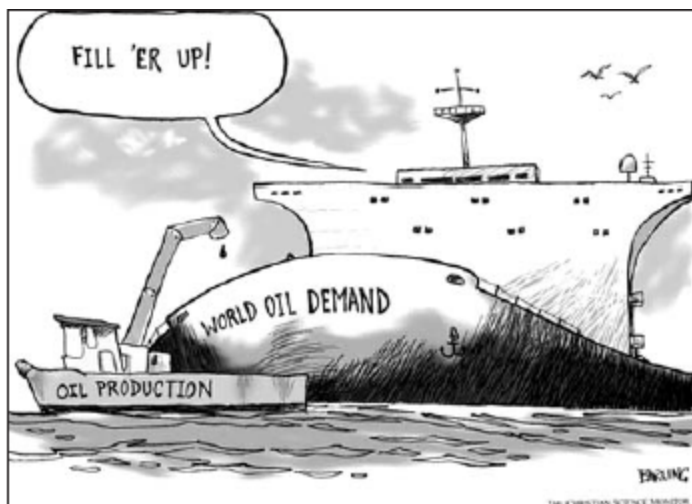


Source: Killoran, Zimmer, and Jarret, *The Key to Understanding History*, Jarret Publishing

According to the map, which region of the world has the greatest number of nations belonging to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?

- (1) Middle East
- (2) Southern Africa
- (3) North America
- (4) Southeast Asia

166 Base your answer to the following question on the following cartoon and your knowledge of social studies.



Source: Brian Barling, *Christian Science Monitor*, April 25, 2008

The main idea of this cartoon most clearly shows the influence of which of the following on oil production?

- (1) North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
- (2) Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)
- (3) North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- (4) European Union (EU)

167 Which development occurred during the Neolithic Revolution?

- (1) Food was grown on haciendas.
- (2) Stone tools were used for the first time.
- (3) The factory system replaced the domestic system.
- (4) Permanent settlements were established in river valleys.

168 Which geographic region has the greatest number of members in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?

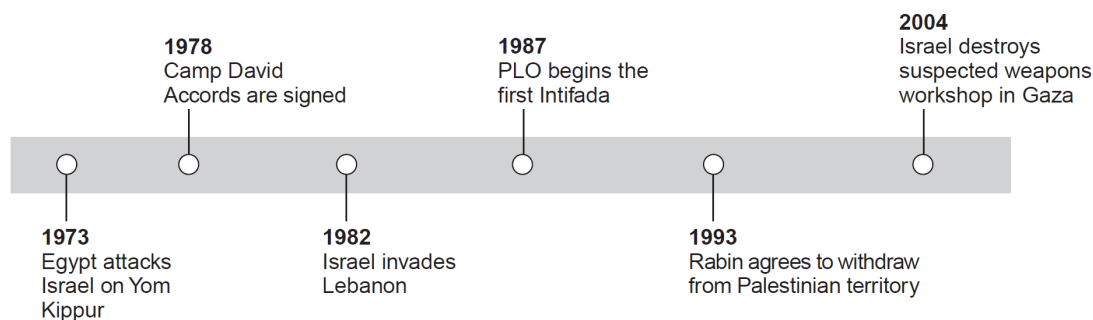
- (1) South America
- (2) sub-Saharan Africa
- (3) Southeast Asia
- (4) Middle East

169 The Golden Age of Muslim culture was best known for its

- (1) attempts to colonize North America
- (2) frequent conflicts between Christians and Jews
- (3) advances in mathematics, science, and medicine
- (4) policies to reduce trade between the Middle East and China

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170 Base your answer to the following question on the time line below and on your knowledge of social studies.



Which conclusion can be drawn from this time line?

- (1) Israel withdrew from the Camp David Accords.
- (2) The Palestinian army is superior to the Israeli army.
- (3) Long-lasting peace in the Middle East has been difficult to achieve.
- (4) Neighboring countries have not been involved in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

171 Base your answer to the following question on the chart below and on your knowledge of social studies.

**United States Trade with Mexico and Canada**  
(\$ value in millions)

Year	\$ Value of United States Exports to		\$ Value of United States Imports from	
	Mexico	Canada	Mexico	Canada
1994	50,844	114,439	49,494	128,406
1998	78,773	156,603	94,629	173,256
2002	97,470	160,923	134,616	209,088

*Source: The World Almanac and Book of Facts, World Almanac Books, 2004 (adapted)*

The economic trend represented in this chart is most likely an effect of the creation of the

- (1) Organization of American States (OAS)
- (2) North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- (3) North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
- (4) Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)

172 Which title is best for the partial outline below?

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A. Indian Ocean sea lanes  
 B. Central Asian Silk Road  
 C. Trans-Saharan trade  
 D. East African coastal trading system

- (1) Areas in the Hanseatic League
- (2) Routes of European Crusaders
- (3) Movement of People and Goods
- (4) Regions Under Mongol Control

173 The Panama Canal and Suez Canal are similar in that both

- (1) shortened shipping routes between major bodies of water
- (2) were built by the British to expand their empire
- (3) replaced the Silk Road as the world's main trade route
- (4) directly connected the Atlantic and Pacific oceans

**THEMATIC ESSAY QUESTION**

*Directions:* Write a well-organized essay that includes an introduction, several paragraphs addressing the task below, and a conclusion.

**Theme: Conflict-Armed Conflict**

Throughout history, armed conflicts have begun for various reasons. These conflicts have affected many countries and groups of people.

**Task:**

Select *two* revolutions and for *each*

- Describe the historical circumstances leading to this armed conflict
- Discuss the ways in which this armed conflict affected a specific group of people, a country, *and/or* a region

You may use any examples of armed conflict from your study of global history and geography. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include the Peloponnesian War, the Crusades, the English civil war, the Haitian war of independence, the French Revolution, the Opium War, the Sepoy Rebellion, World War I, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the Rwanda crisis.

**You are *not* limited to these suggestions.**

**Do *not* discuss armed conflicts that occurred in the United States in your answer.**

**Guidelines:**

**In your essay, be sure to**

- Develop all aspects of the task
- Support the theme with relevant facts, examples, and details
- Use a logical and clear plan of organization, including an introduction and a conclusion that are beyond a restatement of the theme

175 . . . Then, just as the Crusaders had been inspired at least in part by commercial motives, those 200 years of constant coming and going between East and West obviously gave trade a tremendous boost. Merchants, studying the itineraries [routes] of the cross-bearers [crusaders] who paved the way, discovered the most direct routes between eastern Mediterranean ports and the heart of Europe. Venice was a particularly active port of entry for goods imported from the Middle East and India. From there the goods traveled a well established route through the Brenner Pass, up the Rhine to Brussels and then north to the Baltic Sea. Many a town which lies along this course owes its existence to a brisk demand for exotic wares from the East by medieval Europeans. . .

*Source: "Legacy of the Crusades," Aramco World*

According to this excerpt from "Legacy of the Crusades," what is *one* economic change brought about by the Crusades during the medieval period?

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## Middle East Practice Questions

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176 Throughout history, groups of people have taken actions to oppose those in power.

### *Groups*

Arab Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied territories

Philosophers of the Enlightenment in France

Solidarity in Communist Poland

Sikhs in India

Boxers in China

Contras in Nicaragua

African National Congress (ANC) in the Republic of South Africa

Select *three* of the groups listed and for *each* one selected:

- State a major goal of the group
- Discuss how the group tried to achieve this goal

177 . . . One positive, undisputed result of the Crusades was a greatly expanded knowledge of geography gained by the West. With the coming of such vast hordes of invaders from all points of Europe, the veil of the "mysterious East" had been lifted for good. . . .

The Arab builders learned much about military masonry from the Crusaders who had brought this knowledge from Normandy and Italy. In constructing the famed Citadel of Cairo, Saladin had taken some of the features of Crusaders' castles he had observed up and down the Levant [lands of the Eastern Mediterranean]. Then, when the great cathedrals of Europe began to rise in a somewhat later period, their builders installed windows of stained glass made with a technique which had originated with the ancient Phoenicians of Syria and passed along by Syrian Arabs to Europeans living in the East. . . .

From a purely military point of view, the Crusades must be written off as a failure for the West, because, after changing hands so many times, the territory comprising the Christian Kingdom of Jerusalem reverted [returned] to the Moslems [Muslims] for good. But during that two-century struggle between East and West, it is plain now that each side made major contributions to the culture of the other. That vast interchange let in a few rays of light over a darkened Europe, and removed for good the wall of ignorance that had always existed between Europe and Asia. . . .

*Source: "Legacy of the Crusades," Aramco World, VII, May 1956*

*a* According to this document, what was **one** positive, unexpected outcome of the Crusades on Western civilization?

*b* According to this document, what was **one** positive, unexpected outcome of the Crusades on Muslim[Moslem] civilization?

*c* Based on this document, state **one** reason the West was disappointed with the outcome of the Crusades.

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## Middle East Practice Questions

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178 Certain events in history often result in major change.

### *Events*

King John signs Magna Carta in England.  
Martin Luther posts Ninety-five Theses in Germany.  
Muhammad establishes Islam in Arabia.  
Commodore Matthew Perry negotiates with Japan.  
Hernando Cortes conquers Aztecs in Mexico.  
Gamal Nasser nationalizes Suez Canal in Egypt.

Select *three* of the events listed and for *each* one selected:

- Explain *one* specific cause of that event
- Describe *one* change that occurred in the nation or region as a result of that event

179 Arab Palestinians began to leave their homes in cities in December 1947. The number of Arab Palestinians leaving their homes increased to hundreds of thousands by May 1948. During the last week of April in 1948, as the fighting came closer to their home, the Palestinian family in this passage left Jaffa for Ramallah. On May 14, 1948, Israel was established. This new country included the city of Jaffa. Ramallah was in the West Bank that became part of Jordan.  
. . . I grew up hearing the description of my father's last visit to Jaffa, and it has left an indelible [permanent] impression on me. My father's entire holdings were in and around Jaffa, the products of his own hard work. His father had left him nothing. How difficult it must have been to bid all this farewell. The image of my father, his every step echoing in the empty streets of the deserted city still haunts me. .

He moved on to the marketplace, empty except for a few shops that had somehow remained open. He walked passed Hinn's, his barbershop, and found it closed. The courthouse was closed, as were the clinics, the nurseries, the cafés, the cinema. The place was deserted, prepared to be captured.

What have we done, he wondered. How could we have all left? . . .

**Source:** *Raja Shehadeh, Strangers in the House: Coming of Age in Occupied Palestine, Penguin Books*  
Based on this account by Raja Shehadeh, what was **one** impact on the city of Jaffa when the Palestinians left?

180 Throughout history, great civilizations have existed in different areas of the world.

### *Civilizations*

Ancient Mesopotamia  
Ancient Africa  
Golden Age of Athens  
Golden Age of China  
Ancient Latin American Empires  
Golden Age of Muslim Culture

Select *three* of the civilizations listed and discuss *two* specific characteristics or achievements of *each* civilization.

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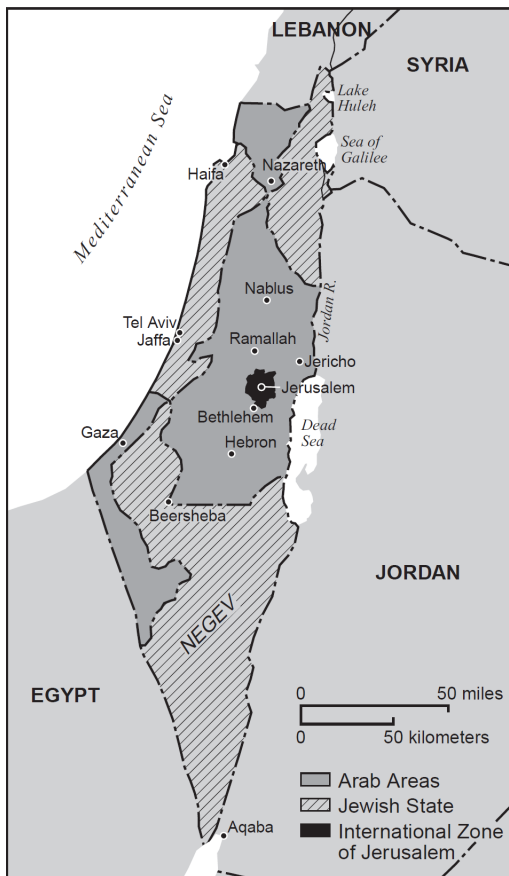
181 ...The territory was plagued with chronic unrest pitting native Arabs against Jewish immigrants (who now made up about a third [of] the population, owning about 6% of the land). The situation had become more critical with the displacement of hundreds of thousands of Jews fleeing the Nazi persecution in Europe. Some six million Jews were killed in the Holocaust during World War II.

The UN set up a special committee which recommended splitting the territory into separate Jewish and Palestinian states. Palestinian representatives, known as the Arab Higher Committee, rejected the proposal; their counterparts in the Jewish Agency accepted it.

The partition plan gave 56.47% of [the British Mandate of] Palestine to the Jewish state and 43.53% to the Arab state, with an international enclave around Jerusalem. On 29 November 1947, 33 countries of the UN General Assembly voted for partition, 13 voted against and 10 abstained. The plan which was rejected by the Palestinians, was never implemented....

*Source: BBC News*

United Nations' Partition Plan, 1947



- a) According to the BBC News, what is **one** reason for the recommended division of Palestine?
- b) Based on the borders shown on this map, what is **one** problem that could result from the United Nations plan for partition?

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182 The human rights of certain groups of people have been violated through official governmental policy and/or by traditional social patterns.

### *Groups*

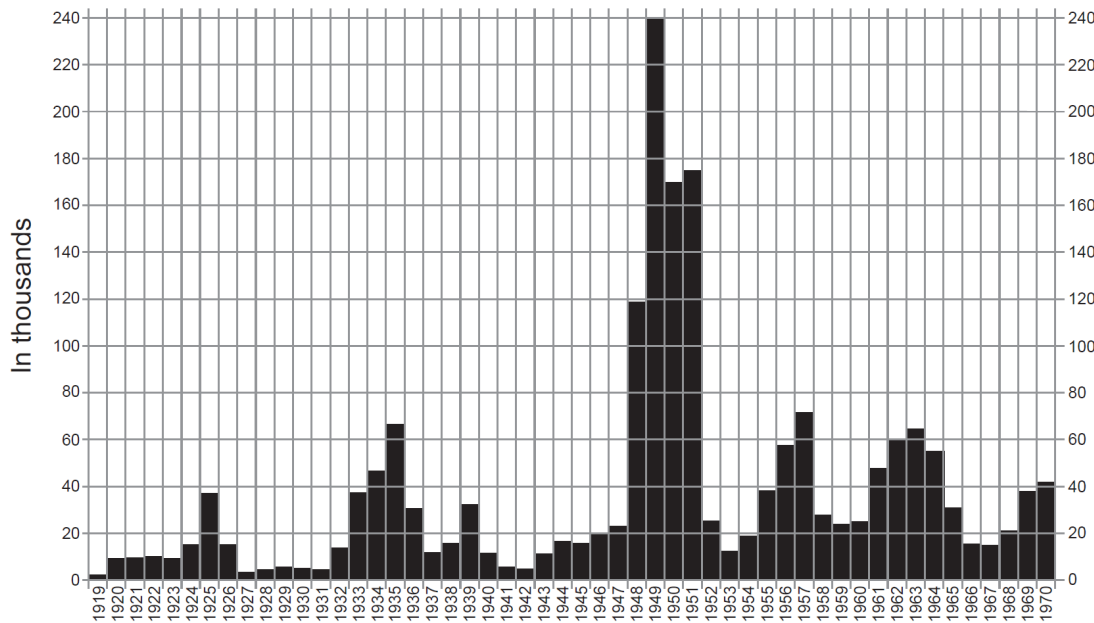
- Blacks in South Africa
- Untouchables in India
- Inhabitants of Kampuchea (Cambodia)
- Jews in Europe
- Palestinian refugees in the Middle East
- Political dissidents in the Soviet Union

Choose *three* of the groups from the list. For *each* group chosen:

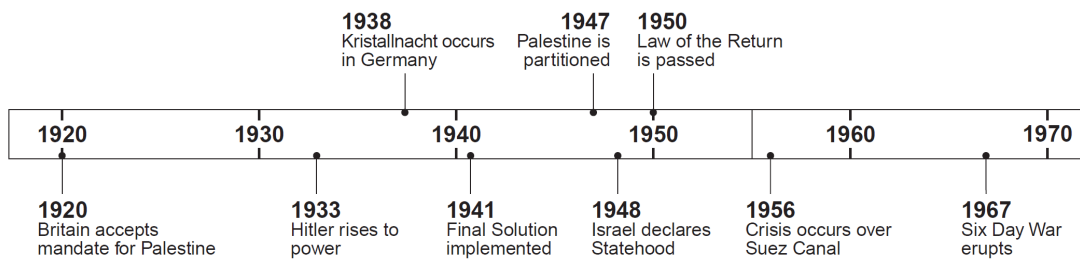
- Describe a specific violation of human rights that the group suffered *or* is suffering
- Describe efforts that were made *or* are being made to overcome or compensate for the violations of that group's human rights

183 Based on these documents, identify *two* specific reasons large numbers of Jewish immigrants moved to the Palestinian/Israeli region between 1920 and 1970.

**Immigration of Jews to the Land of Erez Israel (1919–1970)**



*Source: Encyclopaedia Judaica, Volume 9, Keter Publishing House Jerusalem (adapted)*



## Middle East Practice Questions

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184 Powerful political, religious, and economic forces often caused groups of people to move.

### *Groups of People*

Crusaders (109-1204)  
Africans (1500's-1800's)  
Jews (1930's-1940's)  
Hindus and Muslims in South Asia (1947)  
Chinese (1949)  
Peasants in Latin America (1980's-1990's)

Choose *three* groups of people from the list and for *each* one chosen:

- Describe a political, religious, or economic reason that caused this group of people to move
- Explain the impact of this group movement on other people, other areas, or later events

185 Some events in world history have had an important impact on regions and historical eras.

### *Events*

Crusaders encounter Islamic culture.  
William and Mary agree to a Bill of Rights in England.  
Atomic bombs are dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.  
OPEC nations curb oil exports.  
Solidarity union gains power in Poland.  
Bishop Desmond Tutu wins the Nobel Peace Prize.  
East and West Germany are reunified in 1990.

Choose *three* of the events listed above. For *each* one chosen, describe the event or movement *and* discuss its impact on a specific region or historical era.

186 Geographic factors play an important role in a nation's development and in its relations with other nations.

### Geographic Factors—Nations

Abundance of oil — Kuwait  
Himalaya Mountains — India  
Island location — England  
Rain forest — Brazil  
Lack of raw materials — Japan  
Plains — Poland  
Suez Canal — Egypt

Choose *three* of the geographic factors listed and for *each* factor chosen:

- Discuss how the factor affected the economic or historical development of the nation with which it is paired
  - Discuss how the factor influenced the nation's relations with other nations
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187 Geographic factors are often an important influence on specific events.

Events

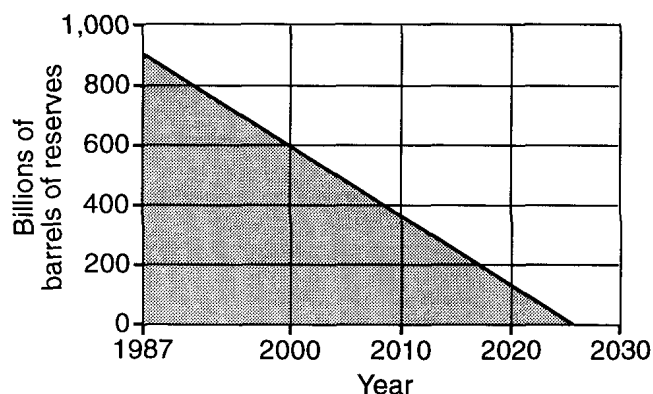
Industrial Revolution in England  
Catherine the Great's decision to conquer Ukraine  
Napoleon's invasion of Russia  
Bolívar's attempt to create a United Grand Colombia  
Building the Suez Canal in Egypt  
European efforts to colonize Africa  
Japan's decision to invade Manchuria

Select *three* events from the list and for *each* one selected:

- Identify *one* or more geographic factors related to the event
- Explain how that geographic factor or factors influenced that event

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**Reserves of Oil (projected to 2030)**



Based on the cartoon, what will happen to oil reserves by 2025?

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**World Oil Reserves  
by Region and Availability**

Region	Oil Reserves (billion barrels)	Availability (number of years)
Middle East	660	110
Latin America	125	51
Former Soviet Union & Eastern Europe	60	13
Africa	59	28
Asia, Australia, & New Zealand	47	20
North America	42	10
Western Europe	18	13
World	1,011	44

Source: *State of the World 1991*, W.W. Norton

Based on this cartoon, what is the importance of the Middle East in regards to its oil reserves?

190 **A**

As long as the Jewish spirit is yearning deep in the heart,  
With eyes turned toward the East, looking toward Zion,  
Then our hope — the two thousand year old hope — will not be lost:  
To be a free people in our land,  
The land of Zion and Jerusalem.

— *Hatikvah (The Hope)*, Israel's national anthem

**B**

. . . O those who pass between fleeting words  
It is time for you to be gone  
Live wherever you like, but do not live among us  
It is time for you to be gone  
Die wherever you like, but do not die among us  
For we have work to do in our land  
We have the past here  
We have the first cry of life  
We have the present, the present and the future  
We have this world here, and the hereafter  
So leave our country  
Our land, our sea  
Our wheat, our salt, our wounds  
Everything, and leave The memories of memory  
O those who pass between fleeting words!

— *Mahmoud Darwish, Those Who Pass Between Fleeting Words*, Palestinian poet laureate

- a. How does passage **A** express Israeli nationalism?  
b. How does passage **B** express Palestinian nationalism?

191 When I was in the Sinai with Anwar [Sadat], I was shocked by what I saw. The war had left its mark on everything and everyone. Wherever I went I saw Palestinians who had been forced from their homeland by the creation of Israel and the fighting that had ensued [followed] in 1948. Dressed in black, mothers with their children squatted silently alongside the roads, in the towns. . . . More than one million Arabs had suddenly become homeless, depending on the United Nations Relief Fund for subsistence. . . .  
Refugee camps lined the roads, the tents so close they seemed like a canvas city.  
"Is your family faring well?" I asked our cook, a Palestinian woman from one of the refugee camps. She dropped her eyes. "It is not like before," she said quietly.  
. . . "From the camp we can see the tops of the lemon and orange trees on our old farm," she said slowly, as if reluctant to remember. "On our land it was always green and warm, but here in the desert it is very cold. . . ."  
. . . "Tell me about your husband," I pressed. "What work does he do? "  
The woman's eyes dropped even lower. "At home he was a farmer. Here in the desert there is nothing for him. . . ."

— *Jehan Sadat, A Woman of Egypt*

According to the document, state one reason Palestinians were forced into refugee camps in the Sinai.

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## Middle East Practice Questions

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192 Changes in society have been brought about in various ways. Some leaders, some mass movements, and some organizations that have brought about change are listed below.

*Leaders:* Adolf Hitler  
Mao Zedong  
Mikhail Gorbachev

*Mass Movements:* Civil disobedience in India  
Anti - apartheid movement  
Palestinian Intifada

*Organizations:* United Nations (UN)  
Organization of American States (OAS)  
European Community (EC)

Choose *one* leader, *one* mass movement, and *one* organization from the lists. For *each* one chosen:

- Describe a specific change that was promoted
- Describe how the change was brought about
- Evaluate the success of the effort

193 Based on this chart, state *one* result of the failure of the 1947 United Nations plan for partition in the Israeli-Palestinian region.

### Events in the Israeli-Palestinian Region 1948–1950

1948	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Israel declares itself an independent country.</li><li>• War breaks out.</li><li>• United Nations efforts to bring about peace fail.</li><li>• United Nations Resolution 194 includes a provision that would allow refugees wishing to return to their homes and live in peace be allowed to do so at the earliest practical date and compensation should be paid for the property of those choosing not to return. [Although the resolution has been voted on numerous times, it has never been implemented.]</li></ul>
1949	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Armistice agreements signed between Israel and Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria.</li><li>• West Bank is under Jordanian rule.</li><li>• Gaza Strip is under Egyptian occupation.</li></ul>
1950	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• West Bank including East Jerusalem is annexed by the Kingdom of Jordan.</li></ul>

*Source:* Based on *The Avalon Project at Yale Law and The Jewish Virtual Library*

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194 . . . Most dramatically, hydropolitics, or the interplay of water resource issues and politics, has raised tensions between countries that share drainage basins. For example, Sudan's plans to expand its irrigation networks along the upper Nile and Ethiopia's Blue Nile Dam project are both causes of concern in Egypt. To the north, Turkey's growing development of the upper Tigris and Euphrates rivers (the Southeast Anatolian Project) has raised issues with Iraq and Syria, who argue that capturing "their" water might be considered a provocative [challenging] political act. Hydropolitics has also played into negotiations between Israel, the Palestinians, and other neighboring states, particularly in the valuable Jordan River drainage, which runs through the center of the area's most hotly disputed lands. Israelis fear Palestinian and Syrian pollution; nearby Jordanians argue for more water from Syria; and all regional residents must deal with the uncomfortable reality that, regardless of their political differences, they must drink from the same limited supplies of freshwater. . . .

*Source: Les Rowntree et al., Diversity Amid Globalization, Prentice Hall, 2003 (adapted)*

According to the authors of *Diversity Amid Globalization*, what is **one** way that water resource issues have increased tension between countries?

195 ... With no streams or rivers to speak of, Gaza has historically relied almost exclusively on its coastal aquifer, which receives some 50 to 60 million cubic metres of refill each year thanks to rainfall and run-off from the Hebron hills to the east. But the needs of Gaza's rapidly growing population, as well as those of the nearby Israeli farmers, means an estimated 160 million cubic metres of water is drawn from the compromised [endangered] aquifer each year. As the levels sink, seawater seeps in from the nearby Mediterranean. This saline pollution is made worse by untreated waste, with 90,000 cubic metres of raw sewage allowed to flow into the shallow sea waters each day from Gaza, according to UN data.

Even with the aquifer, regular running tap water is a luxury unknown to many Gazans. People living across the territory say that during the summer months water might spurt out of their taps every other day, and the pressure is often so low that those living on upper floors might see just a trickle ....

*Source: Zander Swinburne, "The water is running out in Gaza," The Independent, June 30, 2013*

According to Zander Swinburne, what is **one** problem faced by Gaza's population as a result of its almost exclusive reliance on a coastal aquifer for its water supply?

196 In the spring of 1492, shortly after the Moors were driven out of Granada, Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain expelled all the Jews from their lands and thus, by a stroke of the pen, put an end to the largest and most distinguished Jewish settlement in Europe. The expulsion of this intelligent, cultured, and industrious [hardworking] class was prompted only in part by the greed of the king and the intensified nationalism of the people who had just brought the crusade [campaign] against the Moslem Moors to a glorious close. The real motive was the religious zeal of the Church, the Queen, and the masses. The official reason given for driving out the Jews was that they [Jews] encouraged the Marranos [Jews who converted to Christianity to escape persecution] to persist in their Jewishness and thus would not allow them to become good Christians. . . .

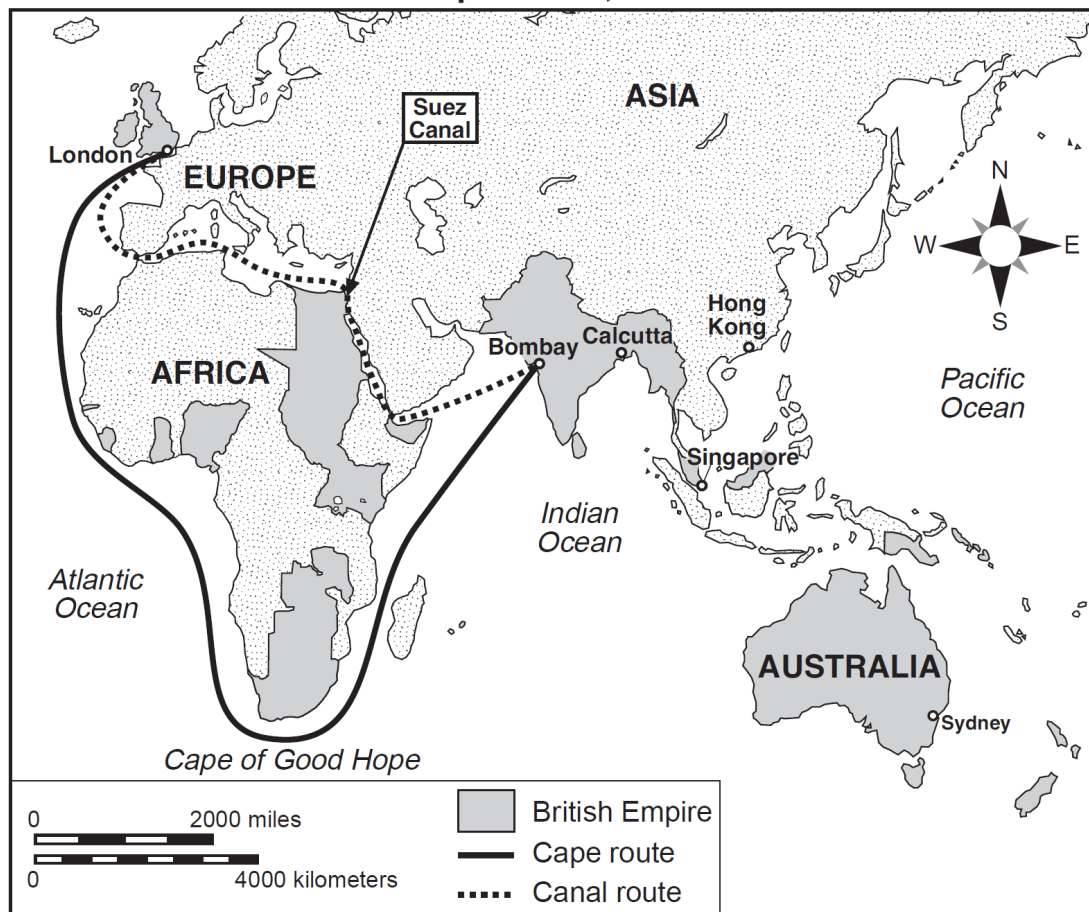
*Source: Jacob R. Marcus, The Jew in the Medieval World: A Source Book, 315–1791, The Sinai Press*

According to Jacob R. Marcus, what were **two** reasons Ferdinand and Isabella expelled the Jews from Spain in 1492?

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197 Document a

Steamship Routes, about 1914



**Source:** Abrams and Thurston, *World Geography*, Iroquois Publishing (adapted) and Patrick K. O'Brien, ed., *Oxford Atlas of World History*, Oxford University Press (adapted)

Document b

Shipping Distances between London and the East		
	<u>Via the Cape</u>	<u>Via the Canal</u>
London-Bombay	19,755 km	11,619 km
London-Calcutta	22,039	14,970
London-Singapore	21,742	15,486
London-Hong Kong	24,409	18,148
London-Sydney	23,502	22,493

**Source:** Daniel R. Headrick, *The Tentacles of Progress: Technology Transfer in the Age of Imperialism, 1850-1940*, Oxford University Press (adapted)

Based on these documents, state **one** way the Suez Canal improved Great Britain's shipment of goods and troops to its empire in the East.

198 Nationalism has been a major force in shaping world events.

### *Nationalistic Struggles*

French Revolution (1789-1815)

Unification of Germany (1860-1871)

World War I (1914-1918)

Nationalist Movement in India (1919-1947)

Israeli/Arab Palestinian Conflict (1948-present)

Vietnam Conflict (1954-1973)

Choose *three* of the nationalistic struggles listed. For *each* nationalistic struggle chosen:

- Identify *one* nationalist leader or group involved in the struggle
- Describe *one* nationalistic goal of the leader or group
- Describe *one* action taken by the leader or group to achieve the goal

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### THEMATIC ESSAY QUESTION

*Directions:* Write a well-organized essay that includes an introduction, several paragraphs addressing the task below, and a conclusion.

#### **Theme: Technology**

Transportation and communication technologies have been used by governments, groups, and individuals to unify and control societies and regions.

#### **Task:**

Select *two* governments, groups, *and/or* individuals that have used transportation or communication technologies and for *each*

- Discuss how a specific government, group, or individual used transportation or communication technologies to unify *and/or* control a society or region

You may use any governments, groups, or individuals that have used transportation or communication technologies from your study of global history and geography. Some suggestions you might wish to consider include Great Britain's use of railroads in India/Africa, Germany's use of submarines, Great Britain's use of the Suez Canal, Gandhi's use of mass media, Hitler's use of mass media, Stalin's use of propaganda, Egypt's seizure of the Suez Canal, Mao's use of propaganda, and Arabs' use of social media during the Arab Spring.

**You are *not* limited to these suggestions.**

**Do not use an example from the United States in your answer.**

#### **Guidelines:**

In your essay, be sure to:

- Develop all aspects of the task
  - Support the theme with relevant facts, examples, and details
  - Use a logical and clear plan of organization, including an introduction and a conclusion that are beyond a restatement of the theme
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## Middle East Practice Questions

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200 Nationalism has played an important role throughout world history. The quotations below express various views about nationalism.

"The young men shall go forth to battle, the married men will make arms and transport food; the women will make tents, uniforms, and will serve in the hospitals; the children will prepare lint from old linen; the old men will gather in public places to rouse the courage of the warriors, to excite hatred of kings and to preach the unity of the Republic"

– *Levee en Masse, French Revolution, 1793*

"We ardently wish to free Italy from foreign rule. We agree that we must put aside all petty differences in order to gain this most important goal. We wish to drive out the foreigners not only because we want to see our country powerful and glorious, but because we want to elevate the Italian people in intelligence and moral development."

– *Count Canifflo di Cavor, 1810-1861*

"... for the most part ... the people of China can be spoken of as completely ... Chinese. With common customs and habits, we are completely of one race ... But the Chinese people have only family and clan solidarity, they do not have national spirit. Therefore even though we have ... people gathered together in one China, in reality they are just a heap of loose sand."

– *Sun Yat-sen, 1911*

"... the main motive which guided me in my deed was the avenging of the Serbian people ... I am a nationalist. I aimed to free the Yugoslavs. For I am a Yugoslav ... As far as Serbia is concerned, it is her duty to free us."

– *Gavrilo Princip, 1914*

"... we insist that in Ghana ... there should be no reference to Fantis, Ashantis, Ewes, Gas, Dagombas [all names of tribes], "strangers," and so forth but that we should call ourselves Ghanaians - all brothers and sisters, members of the same community - the state of Ghana."

– *Kwame Nkrumah, 1961*

"Palestine, the homeland of the Palestinian Arab people, is an inseparable part of the greater Arab homeland, and the Palestinian people are a part of the Arab Nation .... The Palestinian Arab people alone have legitimate rights to their homeland, and shall exercise the right of self-determination after the liberation of their homeland ..."

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– *The Palestinian National Charter, 1968*

Select *three* of the quotations above and for *each* one selected:

- Explain the point of view toward nationalism that is expressed in the quotation
  - Discuss *one* way that the attitude expressed affected the history of the society referred to in the quotation
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