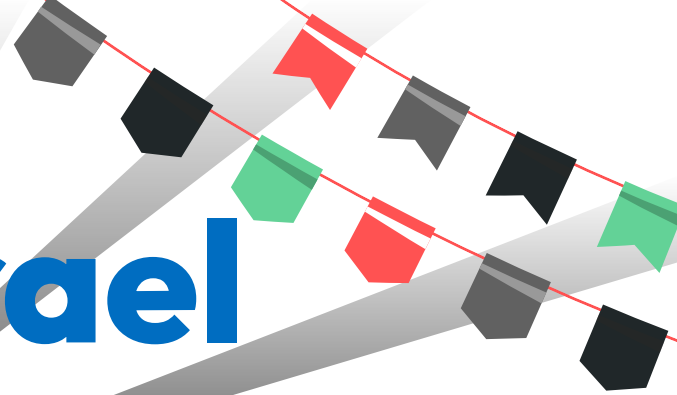


# Palestine- Israel



Stop and Jot



3:00

# What makes a place home?

Guiding questions:

- What do you think of when you think about home?
- What does home look, sound, and feel like?
- What do you need to feel at home?

# What makes a place home?

- Family and friends
- Memories and stories of childhood (the past)
- Where you grew up, your culture and history
- A space for yourself to chill (bedroom)
- Meets needs
  - Emotional (you feel safe and loved)
  - Physical (a house, a bed, food, warmth)
  - Social (loved ones, community)

Stop and Jot

What gives people claim to a  
land?

(Who gets to say a land is theirs?)

# Making Sense of What is Going on



# Quick, Time Away Task

## NewsELA ARTICLE

- ReRead the article quickly... pay attention to what words are being used
- What are your thoughts and feelings about how the content is covered?
- Who's the “good guy”, “the bad guy”, “the victim” in this article?

## What to know about the latest Israel-Hamas conflict

By Associated Press, adapted by Newsela staff on 10.10.23

Word Count 832

Level 800L



Palestinians (left) walk amid the rubble following Israeli airstrikes that razed swaths of a neighborhood in Gaza City on October 10, 2023. At right, Israeli police officers evacuate a family from a site in Ashkelon that was hit by a rocket fired from the Gaza Strip on October 7, 2023. Photos: Fatima Shbair and Tsafir Abayov/AP Photos: Fatima Shbair and Tsafir Abayov/AP

October 7, 2023, was a major Jewish holiday. On that day, Hamas militants from Gaza made a surprise attack on Israel. The militants killed and kidnapped many people. In response, Israel launched rockets into Gaza. Israel's Prime Minister said the country is now at war with Hamas.

Hamas has been in power in Gaza for 16 years. The U.S. State Department considers Hamas to be a terrorist group. The European Union and other Western countries also consider it a terrorist organization.

Hamas attacked as many as 22 locations in Israel. They gunned down civilians and soldiers.

Israel's military said on October 10 that it had regained control over its border with the Gaza Strip. Its government vowed to hunt down the militants.

**What WORDS and TERMS were used to DESCRIBE...**

**ISRAEL**

**PALESTINE**

Languaging Matters: Who is controlling the messaging?

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# DISAPPEARING PALESTINE



What do you notice about these maps?

What situation in US History does this remind you of?

**5 million Palestinians are classified as refugees by the UN**

Make a hypothesis:

What could help explain the changes in the map?

# What Connections Can We Make to Other People's Struggles?

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Colonization Happening Around the World and Throughout  
Time

# Examples

The Holocaust was a time in history where the Jewish people experienced Genocide.

Native Americans were indigenous to the land-and their land was forcefully taken by colonizers.

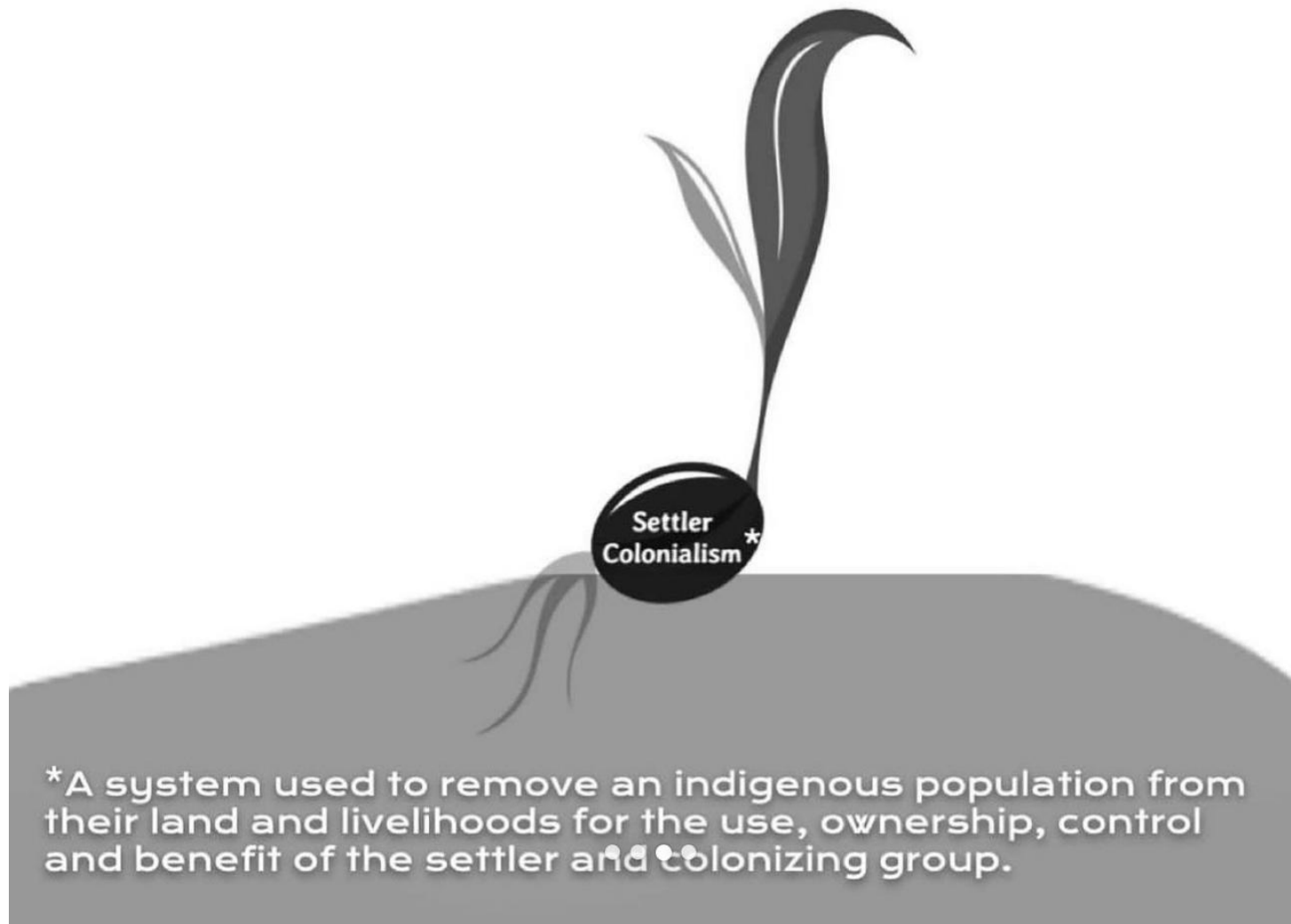
**Genocide:** When a group of people is targeted with the plan to completely wipe them out. Aim to destroy a nation or ethnic group.

# Hawaii vs. United States

- 1,500 years ago, Polynesians came to Hawaii
- 1893 - Native Hawaiians resisted but American colonists controlled Hawaii's sugar-based economy. Colonists overthrew the kingdom and established the Republic of Hawaii
- 1890s - the last Hawaiian ruler, Queen Lili'uokalani was imprisoned and forced to give up her rule.



**In your opinion, who has the “right” claim to this land?**



\*A system used to remove an indigenous population from their land and livelihoods for the use, ownership, control and benefit of the settler and colonizing group.

Stop and Jot

Each person has their own truth.

What do you think this means?

# Truth Telling: Rap as Resistance



mca.rap



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**MC Abdul**

Musician

 12 y/o rapper from Palestine

 Spreading peace, love & unity through music

 Page managed by my dad @fathersaleh

Which lines in this rap stand out to you?



**What are your take aways?**

**What are your thoughts and feelings?**

**Why does this Matter?**

*(be ready to share your reflections)*

# Religion



Did you know Jerusalem is sometimes called the Holy Land? It is a sacred place for 3 major religions-Christianity, Islam, and Judaism.

- Jerusalem is important to Christians because **Jesus** lived and worked there.
- Jerusalem is important to Muslims because **Al-Aqsa Mosque**, the third holiest site in Islam is located there.
- Jerusalem is important to Jews because **Temple Mount**, known in Hebrew as “Har HaBayit,” is located there. Some Jews also believe that God promised the land to them.



# What is happening now?

About 1 million Palestinians are being forced to flee their homeland. Exit routes through Egypt have been bombed

Source:

<https://apnews.com/article/israel-palestinians-gaza-hamas-war-c8b4fc20e4fd2ef381d5edb7e9e8308c>

Blocking all water, food, power, aid.

<https://www.hrw.org/news/2023/12/18/israel-starvation-used-weapon-war-gaza>

Use of white phosphorus bombs. White phosphorus is a **wax-like, toxic substance that burns at more than 800 degrees Celsius**

**\*\*Note: A government does not represent all the people. The Israeli government is separate from innocent Israeli/Jewish people who stand for justice.**

Yesterday, the Israel powers bombed a hospital filled with children and families.

<https://www.hrw.org/news/2023/11/14/gaza-unlawful-israeli-hospital-strikes-worse-health-crisis>

Is this a violation of international law?

**1947-1949: OVER 750,000  
PALESTINIANS WERE EXPELLED BY  
ZIONIST MILITIAS TO MAKE WAY FOR  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL.**



## **THE NAKBA**



Every year on May 15th, Palestinians around the world commemorate the **Nakba** (النكبة), which refers to the ethnic cleansing of indigenous Palestinians from 1947-1949. Zionist militias and Israeli forces systematically destroyed and depopulated approximately 530 Palestinian villages. In total, over 750,000 Palestinians were expelled from their homes, died resisting, or were massacred.

**Today, the millions of dispossessed Palestinian refugees, both in refugee camps inside Palestine and those scattered across the globe in Diaspora, continue to struggle for the right to return to their homeland 73 years later.**

@SOYOUWANTTOTALKABOUT  
SOURCE: THE UN



# PROTESTS

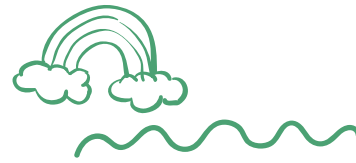
What are protests? Why do people protest? Do you think protests are effective?



# Teacher Resources

## Our own Learning





What do you think this means?

How does this apply to historical or current events?

**Until the lion tells their side of story, the tale of the hunt will always glorify the hunter.**



**-Igbo Proverb**

