

## DBQ: What led to the Israeli/Palestinian Conflict?

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#### Timeline of Arab-Israeli Military Conflicts

May 15, 1948	<b>Israel War of Independence (1948 War).</b> Declaration of Israel as the Jewish State; British leave Palestine; Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia declared war on Israel. Egyptian, Syrian and Jordanian invasion began.
April 3, 1949	Armistice - Israel and Arab states agree to armistice. Israel gained about 50% more territory than was originally allotted to it by the <a href="#">UN Partition Plan</a> .
Oct. 29, 1956	<b>Suez Crisis.</b> Egypt's President Nasser nationalized (takes control of) the Suez Canal from British and French control. Israel invades the Sinai peninsula and occupies it for several months, with French and British collaboration.
May, 1964	<a href="#">PLO (Palestine Liberation Organization)</a> founded with the aim of destroying Israel.
May, 1967	Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser closes the straits of Tiran to Israeli shipping and dismisses UN peacekeeping force. Negotiations with US to reopen the Straits of Tiran fail.
June 5-10, 1967	<b>6-day war.</b> Israel destroys the Egyptian air force on the ground, conquers and occupies Sinai and Gaza, then conquers the West Bank from Jordan, and Golan Heights from Syria.
Oct. 6, 1973	<b>Yom Kippur War</b> (October War). In a surprise attack on the Jewish holiday of atonement, Egypt retook the Suez canal and a narrow zone on the other side. Syria reconquered the Golan Heights. Following massive US and Soviet resupplying of the sides, Israel succeeded in pushing back the Syrians and threatening Damascus. In Sinai, the IDF crossed the Suez Canal and cut off the Egyptian Third Army.
March 26, 1979	<a href="#">Peace treaty signed</a> between Egypt and Israel.

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1. Based on the timeline above, how did the Arab-Israeli Wars impact Israel?
2. What was the group formed in May of 1964? What was the group's goal?
3. Explain why the Arab countries attacked Israel on October 6, 1973?
4. How does this document answer the DBQ question?