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Aftermath



1. Use a dictionary to look up the word **extinguish**. Write the definition on the lines below.

The definition of **extinguish** is:

2. **Synonyms** are words with similar meanings. Use the context of the sentences below to help you choose the best synonym for the underlined word in each sentence. If you cannot determine the meaning from the context, consult a dictionary.

- a) The bombardment caused extensive damage to the city.
 1. considerable 2. minimal 3. fiery 4. localized
- b) The United Nations said that Iraq must pay reparations.
 1. duty 2. compensation 3. rent 4. a fine
- c) It was a most humiliating experience.
 1. restful 2. expensive 3. embarrassing 4. educational
- d) When he was pinned to the mat the wrestler was forced to surrender.
 1. agree 2. scream 3. fight 4. yield
- e) No one could fault the general's strategy.
 1. map 2. assistant 3. weapon 4. plan
- f) After a long fight with the neighbor's pit bull, our collie began to retreat.
 1. win 2. withdraw 3. lose 4. yelp



Aftermath



Although the Persian Gulf War was over, many problems remained in the Gulf region. When the Iraqi troops were retreating from Kuwait they set fire to hundreds of oil wells. Many firefighters from the United States were brought in to put out the fires, but it would be months before all the fires were finally extinguished. Kuwait City had also been looted and trashed by the Iraqi troops.



Oil fires

The heavy aerial bombardment by the United States and its allies also caused extensive property damage in Baghdad and other Iraqi cities. Bridges, buildings, roads, power stations by the score had been destroyed. A public health crisis also loomed with the destruction of water and sanitation facilities.

On March 3, 1991, about a week after President Bush halted military action, Iraqi generals agreed to surrender terms. The United Nations said that Iraq must give up all claims to Kuwait and pay war reparations.

Do you think the United Nations should have called Saddam Hussein to account for his decision to invade Kuwait?

Despite the humiliating defeat, Saddam remained President of Iraq. Posters sprang up all over Baghdad praising him as "the son of all Iraqi mothers". Many Iraqis had difficulty accepting the fact that the Americans and their allies found it necessary to destroy so much of their country when President Bush stated that it was only the Iraqi leadership they had a problem with.

In the United States feelings of patriotism were mixed with a sincere appreciation for what the troops did in the Middle East. General Schwarzkopf was praised for his military strategy and leadership. The Persian Gulf War of 1990 - 91 was over, but as history would bear out, the turmoil of the region had merely turned the page to another tragic and bloody chapter.



Aftermath



1. Put a check mark (✓) next to the answer that is most correct.

- a) According to the article, when retreating from Kuwait the Iraqi troops set fire to:
- A. oil wells
 B. government buildings
 C. ammunition dumps
 D. airports
- b) What were two of the things mentioned in the article that were destroyed by aerial bombardment?
- A. airports, schools
 B. parks, power stations
 C. dams, bridges
 D. buildings, roads
- c) How long after President Bush halted military action did the Iraqi generals agree to surrender terms?
- A. a month
 B. three days
 C. a week
 D. five weeks
- d) A public health crisis loomed in Iraq because of the destruction of:
- A. hospitals and clinics
 B. water and sanitation facilities
 C. airports and train stations
 D. public dumps
- e) Firefighters were called in from:
- A. the United States
 B. Canada
 C. Great Britain
 D. Russia



Artistic Flair

For this Hands-on Activity you have a **menu of options**. Choose one of the menu items below:

A. A Comic Strip

This activity is especially for students with an artistic flair or who love comic books! Your topic can be on the Persian Gulf War in general, or you may focus on one aspect of it (i.e. the life of Saddam Hussein). The first step is to decide on the length of your comic strip (6 to 12 frames is suggested). Next consider what events you will include.

A quick sketch of the comic strip can first be drawn in a **storyboard format** before a final, good copy is attempted. The strip should include a title, dialog, and color. It should be neat and imaginative.

B. A Poster

Posters are a wonderful way of attracting attention and getting people to think about a particular topic. You are to do a poster (using 11" by 17" paper) on some aspect of the Persian Gulf War. You may wish to consider the following ideas:

- a recruitment poster for the United States Army
- a *Wanted Dead or Alive* poster for Saddam Hussein
- a *Dream of Peace* poster
- a poster advertising for firefighters to put out the oil well fires
- a weapons manufacturer's poster advertising one of its weapons of war

Your poster should be in living color. It should be neat and attractive and feature a title and important information.

C. A Detailed Picture or Diorama

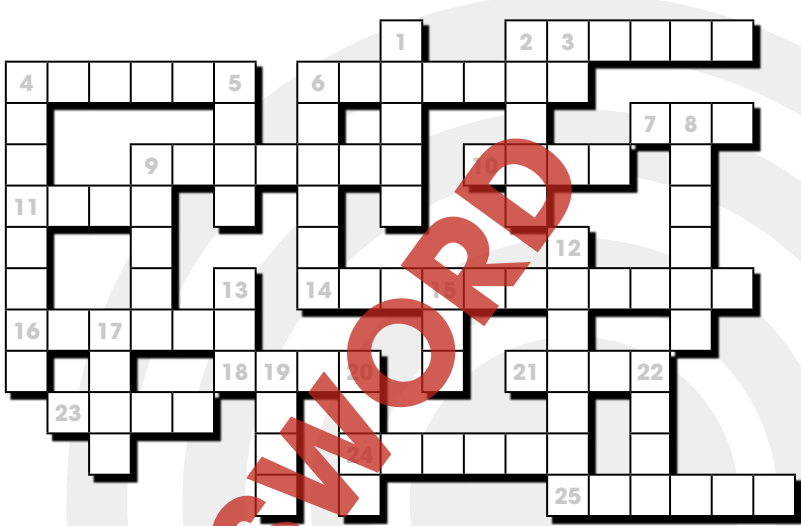
Your final choice is to do either a detailed picture or diorama of some aspect of the Persian Gulf War. Possible subjects *might* include an oil well, Saddam Hussein's childhood home, palace or military bunker in Baghdad, a weapon of war, or one of the coalition military personnel in uniform (or in action).



Crossword Puzzle!

Word List

- ally
- Arabia
- Auja
- Baath
- Baghdad
- bear
- bomb
- Bush
- HH
- Iraq
- Kuwait
- loan
- Mesopotamia
- Norman
- oil
- Ottoman
- reeds
- Saddam
- Scud
- Shield
- sign
- sky
- stealth
- Storm
- Tigris
- Tomahawk
- USA
- wishes
- year



Across

2. Operation Desert _____
4. Iraqi River.
6. A high tech bomber.
7. Where planes fly.
9. Iraqi city.
10. Middle Eastern country.
11. Saddam's hometown.
14. Before 1900 Iraq was a part of _____.
16. Desires.
18. A friend in times of difficulty.
21. Many of these fell on Baghdad during this war.
23. American President during the Persian Gulf War.
24. Saudi _____.
25. Stormin' _____.

Down

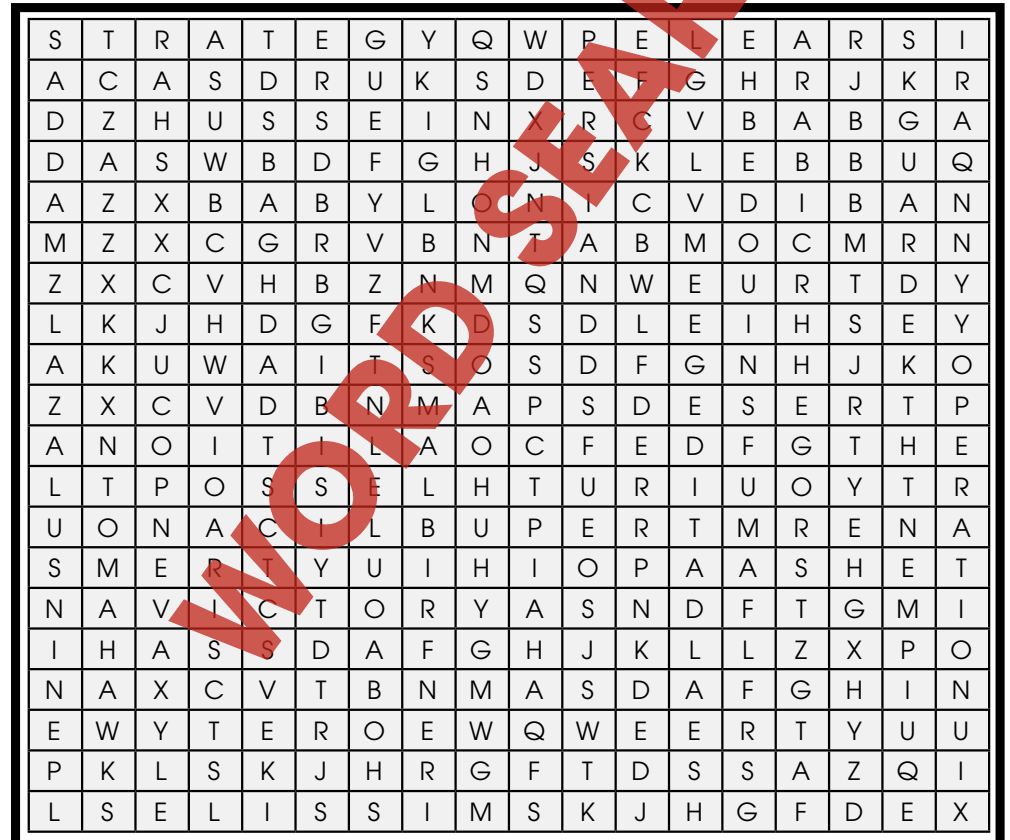
1. Saddam's childhood house was made of mud and _____.
2. Operation Desert _____.
3. Abbrev. Initials of President Hubert Humphrey.
4. A missile.
5. Stop _____.
6. _____ Hussein.
8. Iraq invaded this nation.
9. Saddam's political party.
12. The _____ Empire.
13. Large North American country.
15. A resource found in Iraq and Kuwait.
17. Missile fired into Israel during war.
19. A bank may _____ you money.
20. Usually it's 365 days long.
22. This animal may be found in the mountains of Iraq.



Word Search

Find all THIRTY words in the Word Search. Words are written horizontally, vertically, diagonally, and some are even written backwards.

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|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Arabic | desert | Israel | peninsula | shield |
| Babylon | equipment | Kurds | Persian | stealth |
| Baghdad | Euphrates | Kuwait | republican | storm |
| Bedouin | guard | missiles | ruthless | strategy |
| coalition | Hussein | operation | Saddam | Tomahawk |
| combat | Iraq | Ottoman | Schwarzkopf | victory |



Part C

Comprehension Quiz

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. List two possible reasons as to why Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait. 4

2. What is the name of the nomadic people, many of whom live in the deserts of Iraq? 2

3. Before the Persian Gulf War began the United States rushed thousands of troops and military equipment to the area. What did this operation become known as? 2

4. What do you think were two clear advantages the coalition forces had over the Iraqis in this war? 4

5. What was shocking to the coalition forces about how the ground war in Kuwait and Iraq went? 3

6. Although the coalition forces won a clear victory over Iraq, what was disturbing to many people about the aftermath of the war? 4

SUBTOTAL: /19

Coalition Forces Air Campaign Map





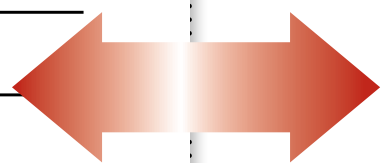
Aftermath



2. Answer each question with a complete sentence.

a) Why did many Iraqis have trouble accepting what President Bush said about the war on Iraq when at the same time so much property was destroyed?

b) How was the war and its conclusion greeted by most Americans?



Research

EASY MARKING

Something known as **Gulf War Syndrome** has been in the news since the Persian Gulf War. It is still a rather controversial subject. Many of the veterans returning from the Persian Gulf War began complaining of a mysterious illness. Were they ill because of chemical toxins released by the Iraqi army?

Write a one-page report describing this illness, its symptoms, possible causes, and what is being done for the veterans who suffer with this malady.

2.

a) President Bush said he only had a problem with Iraq's leadership, yet the coalition forces destroyed so much Iraqi property.

b) Patriotism and appreciation to the troops.

1. Tigris, Euphrates

2. Mileh Tharthar

3. Zagros

4. a) Iran

b) Saudi Arabia, Kuwait

5. Syrian Desert

6. Damascus

