






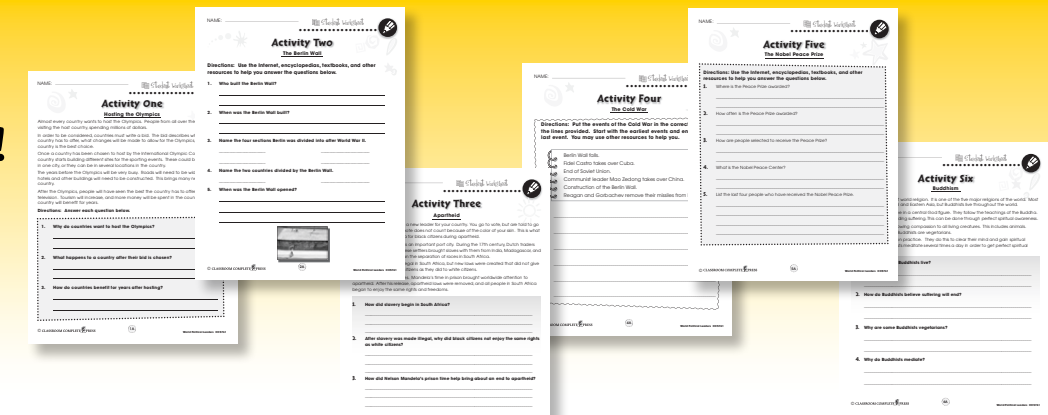
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Yasser Arafat

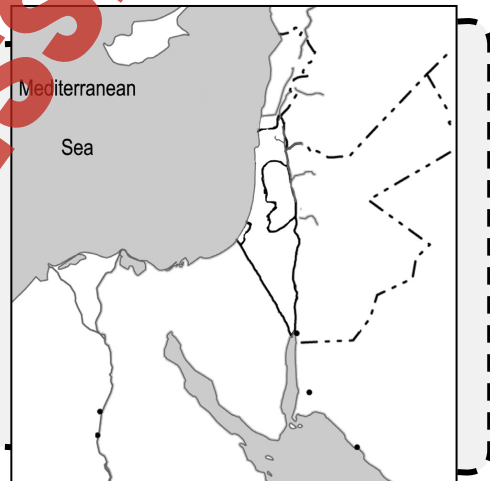
1. Write each word from the list beside its correct meaning. Use a dictionary to help you.

figure	rightfully	hostage	liberation	notable
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- a) _____ Belonging to
- b) _____ Freedom
- c) _____ A person held against their wishes by another person
- d) _____ A well-known person
- e) _____ Famous

2. On the map to the right, find Israel and Palestine. Using your colored pencils, follow these directions.

- a) Color Palestine blue.
- b) Color Israel green.



3. Using the resources in your classroom, write down four facts about Israel.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____



NAME: _____



Yasser Arafat

Yasser Arafat is a controversial **figure** in world politics. Some people believe he is a freedom fighter. Other people believe that he is a terrorist.



Arafat first received the world's attention because of his connection to the PLO, or the Palestine **Liberation** Organization. This is a group that wanted to force the Jewish people out of Israel. The PLO believed that Israel was **rightfully** part of Palestine. They wanted Israel returned to Palestine.

Why did the PLO want Israel returned to Palestine?



The PLO was involved in several acts of terrorism. One of the most **notable** happened at the Munich Olympics. At the Olympics, terrorists stormed Olympic village and killed two Israeli athletes. Then, they kidnapped nine other athletes and held them as **hostages**. They wanted 200 Palestinian prisoners released from Israeli prisons. The nine Israeli athletes were killed.

Yasser Arafat was a leader in the PLO at the time of the Munich Olympics. He was **linked** to other terrorist activities through the years. However, as he got older, Arafat decided to work for peace.

Arafat worked with leaders from the U.S. and Israel on a peace agreement. The agreement helped end the fighting between Israel and Palestine.

Many people now see Arafat as a leader who was interested in world peace. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize because of the peace agreement he signed with Israel.

NAME: _____



Yasser Arafat

1. In your own words, explain why people had different **opinions** about Yasser Arafat. Use one example from the passage to support your answer.

2. Arafat once said, "I come bearing an olive branch in one hand, and the freedom fighter's gun in the other. Do not let the olive branch fall from my hand."

What **conclusions** can you draw about Arafat's state of mind at the time? In other words, how did he feel about his decision?

3. Imagine the peace agreement between Palestine and Israel had never been signed. **Predict** how the world would be different if the agreement had never happened.

4. Arafat completely changed his approach. Why do you think Arafat chose to work peacefully?



Writing Tasks

1. Think about what you have learned about Ronald Reagan, Margaret Thatcher, and Mikhail Gorbachev. Use the Compare and Contrast Pyramid found on page 11. Describe how the leaders are different from each other in the outside triangles. Explain how they are similar in the inside pyramid. Use the graphic organizer in order to write a four paragraph essay.
2. Imagine what the world would be like if The Cold War did not end. Write a four paragraph description of how you think the world would be different.
3. Select one of the countries you have just studied. Write a one-page research paper about your country, including the capital, government, agriculture, industry, and history. You may use the Internet and library to help you.
4. Yasser Arafat worked to end fighting in the Middle East, but his plan did not work for long. Write a one-page peace plan for the Middle East. Include any ideas you have for ending the violence and getting leaders together to talk.
5. Use the Snapshots Organizer on page 12 to summarize the Perons' rise to power. Use supporting details from the reading passage to help you. Your summary should be one to two paragraphs.
6. Several of the leaders you have learned about made decisions that changed their country and the world. Select one leader you have studied. Evaluate their decisions and choices. Do you agree with their decisions? Would you have made the same choices?



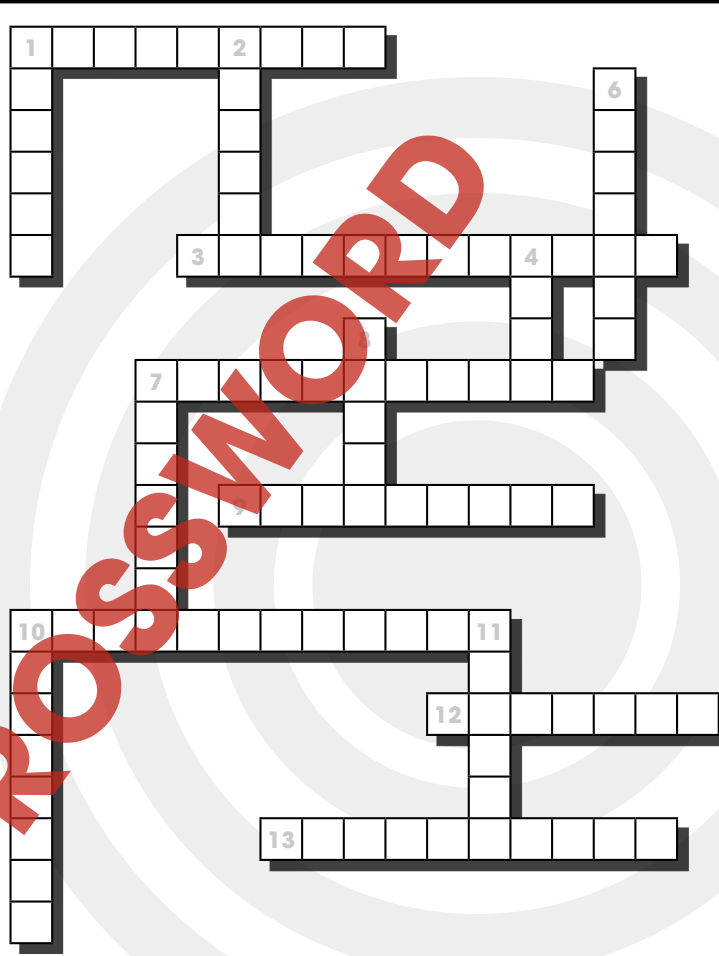
Crossword Puzzle!

Across

- The first President of the Soviet Union
- U.S. President who helped end Cold War
- U.S. President who declared a war on terrorism
- Argentinian leader who worked to help poor
- Spiritual leader of Tibet
- In prison for over 20 years for what he believed
- Made drug laws more strict in Mexico

Down

- Worked to improve conditions in India
- Close ally with Russian leaders during Cold War
- Weapons
- To let go
- Made ready for
- Chinese leader who helped China become more involved in World Politics
- Known as "The Iron Lady" in the United Kingdom
- A former leader of the PLO who worked for peace in the Middle East



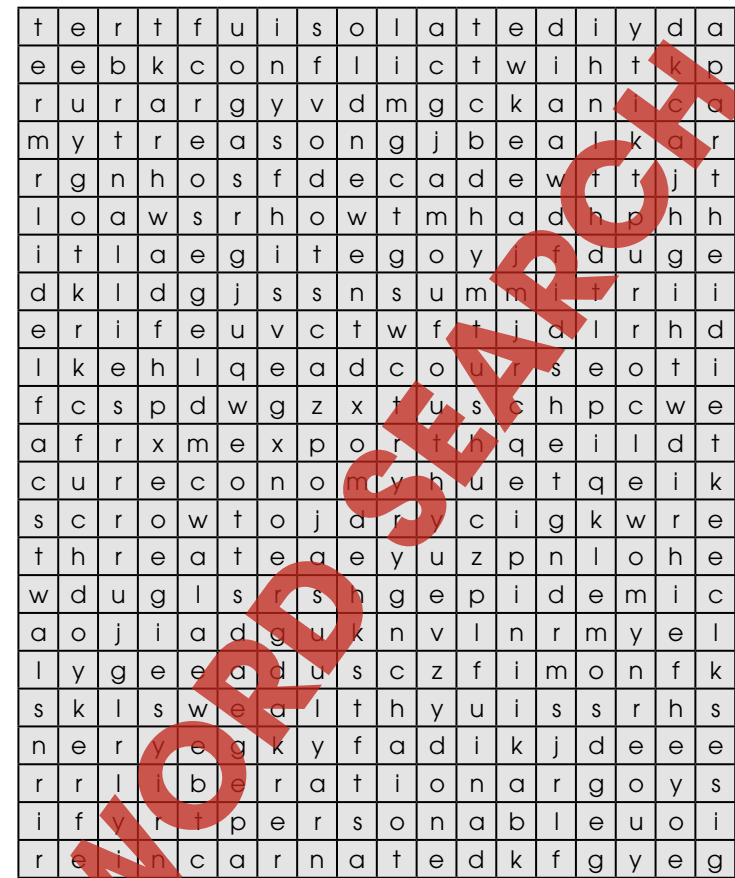
Word List

Gorbachev	Castro	Vicente Fox
Zemin	Juan Peron	arms
George W. Bush	Gandhi	Ronald Reagan
groomed	The Dalai Lama	Thatcher
release	Arafat	Mandela



Word Search

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



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|-----------|----------|--------------|------------|
| terrorist | summit | reincarnated | release |
| term | aid | export | threat |
| hostage | corrupt | conflict | economy |
| treason | epidemic | fled | goods |
| apartheid | linked | allies | wealthy |
| isolated | surplus | highjack | personable |
| citizens | decade | course | liberation |



Comprehension Quiz

Part C

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- Explain how **Reagan** helped end the Cold War. Give examples when answering.

3

- Explain how **Eva Peron** was different from other women leaders. Give examples when answering.

3

- Explain how **Zemin** helped China become more involved in world politics. Give examples when answering.

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- Explain why people have different opinions on **Yasser Arafat**. Give examples when answering.

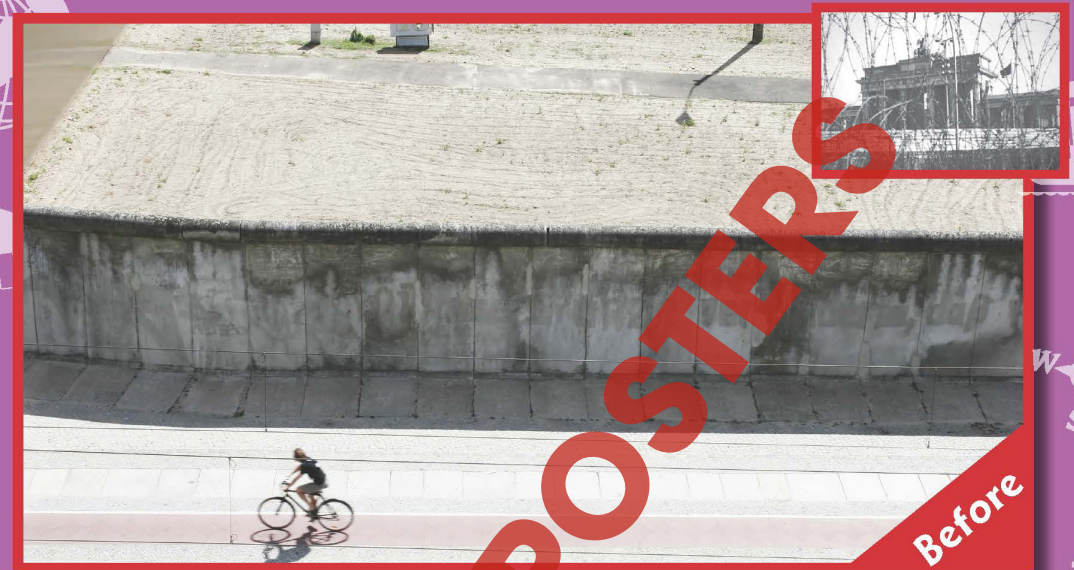
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- Why did the **Dalai Lama** create the Five Point Peace Plan? Give two examples when answering.

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SUBTOTAL: /15

Berlin Wall

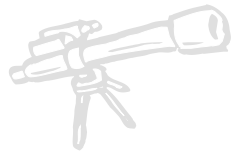


Before



After





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All answers will vary

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3. Ronald Reagan
7. George W. Bush
9. Juan Peron
10. The Dalai Lama
12. Mandela
13. Vicente Fox

Down:

1. Gandhi
2. Castro
4. arms
6. release
7. groomed
8. Zemin
10. Thatcher
11. Arafat

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EASY MARKING ANSWER KEY

