



ISD Virtual Learning

World History Suez Crisis

April 24, 2020



Grade/Course

Lesson 25: April 24, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:

Explain the impact of the Suez Canal Crisis on a global stage

Warm Up

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What is the cartoon trying to say about the Middle East? Answers could vary- basic premise is that the Middle East has had a lot of agreements that have not solved the problems. Middle East has meaningless agreements.



Background to Israeli- Palestinian Crisis

[How The State Of Israel Was Born - Zionism in Animation](#)



Suez Crisis - Definition, Summary & Timeline [Click and read](#)



The Suez Canal

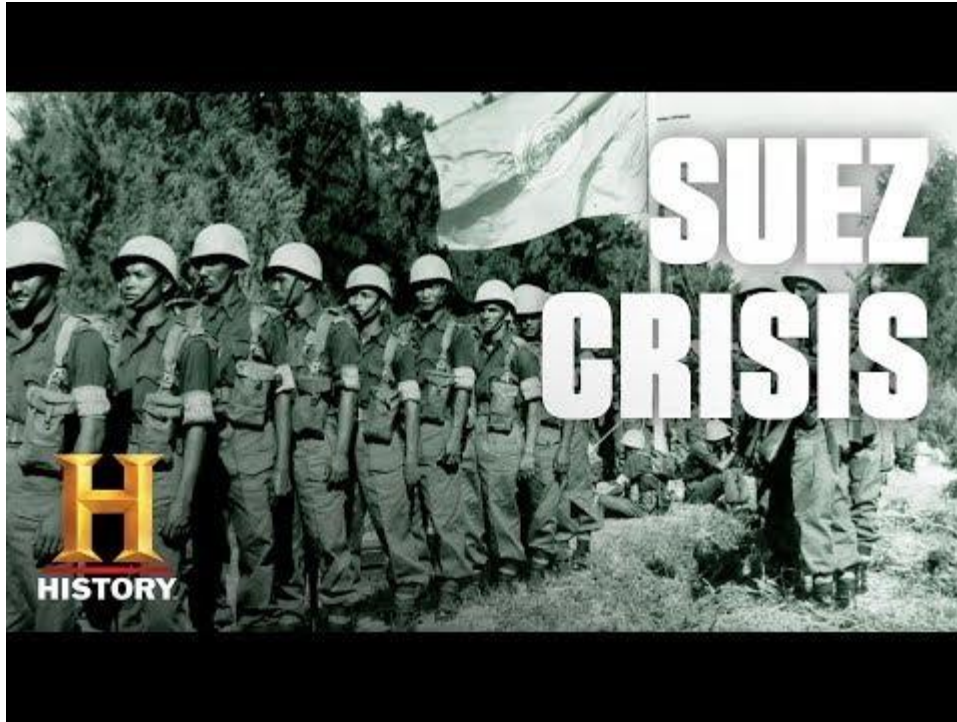
Built in 1869, as an artificial waterway allowing easier trade and travel between Europe and Middle East (connects Red Sea to Mediterranean Sea)

British and French owned canal; wanted protection of this strategic waterway, since trade and travel via the canal brought profit

much of the world's oil was transported through this canal

[Here's Why the Suez Crisis Almost Led to Nuclear War | History](#)

Watch the Video



Suez Crisis

- **Oct 1956 Suez Crisis**
 - **cause**
 - » **Egypt's decision to nationalize and close the Suez Canal**
 - » **European countries had economic and trading interest in the Suez Canal**
 - » **Israel wanted to reopen the canal for Israeli shipping**
 - **Israel invades Egypt's Sinai Peninsula with the support of France and Britain**
- **Mar 1957 withdrawal of Israeli forces from the Sinai Peninsula**
 - **end of the Suez Crisis**

Suez Crisis 1956



The Suez Crisis (1956) Map and chronologic overview



Paratroopers



Israeli's



British



French

Israeli troop movements



- 1** Oct. 29 Israeli paratroops dropped east of town of Suez
- 2** Oct. 30 More paratroops dropped east of Mitla Pass, troops begin crossing the border at Qussaima
- 3** Oct. 31 British bombs dropped on Cairo and Cairo International Airport
- 4** Nov. 2 Israeli paratroops land near Al-Tor, in the south-west Sinai
- 5** Nov. 5 British paratroops land west of Port Said
French paratroops land south of Port Said
Israelis capture Sharm al-Shaikh to lift blockade of Gulf of Aqaba
- 6** Nov. 6 Anglo-French invasion force bombardment and landings
- 7** Nov. 7 Anglo-French occupy most of Suez Canal zone as far as Ismailia, when UN orders a halt
- 8** Nov. 21 First UN troops land at Port Said
- 9** Nov. 23 British and French forces withdraw
- 10** Dec. 22 Withdrawal completed at midnight
- 11** March '57 Israeli withdrawal completed in March

Reflection

After looking at this presentation how close did the world come to nuclear war during the Suez Crisis? (Write a couple of paragraphs explaining your answer)