

UNIT 10: CONTEMPORARY CONFLICTS

Contemporary Conflicts Presentation

Directions: Research, plan, and present a summary of a Contemporary Conflict.

Contemporary Conflicts:

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| 1. Afghanistan, 2001-present | 10. Iraq War, 2003-2011 |
| 2. Bosnian War, 1991-1995 | 11. ISIS War, 2014-present |
| 3. Central African Republic Army Mutiny, 2001-present | 12. Libyan Civil War, 2011-present |
| 4. Colombian Civil War, 1964-2016 | 13. Boko Haram in Nigeria, 2009 - present |
| 5. Cuba Since 2014 | 14. North Korean Nuclear Proliferation |
| 6. War in Darfur, Sudan, 2003-present | 15. Rwandan Genocide, 1994 |
| 7. Georgia-Russia War, 2008 | 16. Tuareg Rebellion in Mali, 2007-2009 |
| 8. India/Pakistan Nuclear Proliferation | 17. Ukraine Civil War/Donbass War, 2014-present |
| 9. Iranian Nuclear Deal | 18. Second Congo War, 1998-2003 |

Research:

1. Use **at least three resources** to acquire information about your topic.
2. Cite sources in MLA format.
3. Answers the following questions:
 - a. WHERE did the conflict take place?
 - b. WHEN did the conflict take place?
 - c. WHO are the major groups/individuals involved in the conflict?
 - d. WHAT issues/problems are at the center of the conflict? WHAT kind of conflict is it – political, economic, religious, ethnic, etc.?
 - e. HOW has the conflict played out? What are some of the central events of this conflict? How has it effected the population? How has it affected the international community?

Some good resources:

BBC News - <http://news.bbc.co.uk/>
Associated Press - www.ap.org
Reuters - www.reuters.com
New York Times - www.nytimes.com
CIA World Factbook - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>
National Public Radio - <http://www.npr.org/>
Newshour with Jim Lehrer - <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/>
Global Security - <http://www.globalsecurity.org/military/world/war/index.html>

Presentation:

1. Your presentation will be 5-7 minutes long. Every member of your group **MUST** speak during the presentation.
2. During your presentation, your group must explain the modern conflict you researched and be prepared to answer any questions from the class and/or Mr. Phillips at the end of the presentation.
3. Group members may use *presentation note cards*.
4. Group members will follow Presentation Do's and Don'ts - speak clearly and distinctly, and keep eye contact with the class. Engage your audience!

Create a PowerPoint Presentation:

1. You will create a short power point (5-7 slides plus Works Cited) or an infographic poster (including Works Cited).
2. Slides are presentation props – **you should NOT read from it! Your visual aid should only contain essential terms.** You may use your presentation note cards to help you speak.
3. Items to include:
 - a. Map of the conflict area
 - b. Names of major groups/individuals involved
 - c. Short, succinct description of issues central to the conflict
 - d. Visuals – pictures, graphs, political cartoons, etc.
4. Practice your presentation several times!

DO...

- Follow directions
- Include ALL required information
- Know and understand the information
- Use time management to complete the assignment
- Make all work professional
- Check for accuracy
- Have an accurate Works Cited in MLA format
- Make eye contact when you present
- Speak clearly – enunciate your words and project your voice
- Have positive, confident body language (be relaxed, act natural)
- Be prepared to answer any questions from audience and/or assessors
- Ask for help if you need it!

Rubric:

CRITERIA	POSSIBLE POINTS
CONTENT	
Discussed all research questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WHERE? WHEN? WHO? • WHAT issues/problems are at the center of the conflict? • HOW has the conflict played out? 	30
Organized and easy to follow	10
Accurate and appropriately formatted bibliography	10
PRESENTATION	
Clarity of voice/pronunciation; proper use of language/grammar; confident posture, gestures, eye contact	20
Visual aid(s) is used effectively and adds to presentation	20
Meets time requirement (each minute over or under equals one point deduction)	10
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS	100