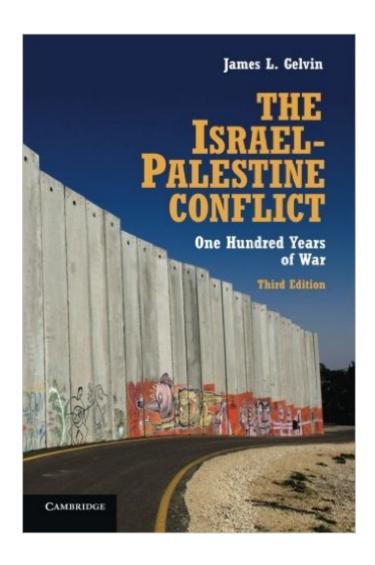
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The Israel-Palestine Conflict: One Hundred Years Of War





Synopsis

Now entering its third edition, James L. Gelvin's award-winning account of the conflict between Israelis and their forebears, on the one hand, and Palestinians and theirs, on the other, offers a compelling, accessible, and current introduction for students and general readers. Newly updated to take into account the effects of the 2010-11 Arab uprisings on the conflict and the recognition of Palestinian statehood by the United Nations, the book traces the struggle from the emergence of nationalism among the Jews of Europe and the Arab inhabitants of Ottoman Palestine through the present, exploring the external pressures and internal logic that have propelled it. Placing events in Palestine within the framework of global history, The Israel-Palestine Conflict: One Hundred Years of War skillfully interweaves biographical sketches, eyewitness accounts, poetry, fiction, and official documentation into its narrative.

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This book frames the conflict as one of competing nationalisms, Israeli-Zionist and Palestinian, products of the rise of nationalism generally during the 19th and early 20th centuries, and sharing much with those other movements. Gelvin does a great job showing the two sides' perspectives, which is the key to understanding this issue - how each side's historical narrative justifies their beliefs and actions, and vice-versa. True believers on both sides will be put off, but those looking for a balanced, general intruduction will learn plenty.

I am a student at UCLA majoring in History. Last summer, I had an opportunity to visit

Israel/Palestine and read this as preparation. James Gelvin's book is the most objective and factually based account that I have encountered as a student and someone who visited the region. Great for anyone seeking to understand the conflict or even enhance their understanding of it. Truly a great text and enjoyable read with good humor. Highly recommended!

Well written, informing history of a difficult part of the world to govern. The author does a very good job of explaining the slow progression of mistakes and illusions on both sides of this never ending conflict. The author cites an extensive list of sources at the end of each chapter. Highly recommended to anyone looking for an objective history of the ongoing Israel-Palestine conflict.

Easy to read, it takes the Israeli-Palestinian conflict from a succinct, but clear historical point of view. The authors opinion are impartial and direct, criticizing both parties and many orders for their inability to reach a common ground, and stating that is unlikely to happen. I enjoyed the historical facts that justify the roots of the conflict. Worth reading

This is real history, not political fantasy land.

I used this book for a research paper. It was a great resource and also an interesting read.

Excellent reading. It gives you a thorough understanding of this long lasting conflict

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