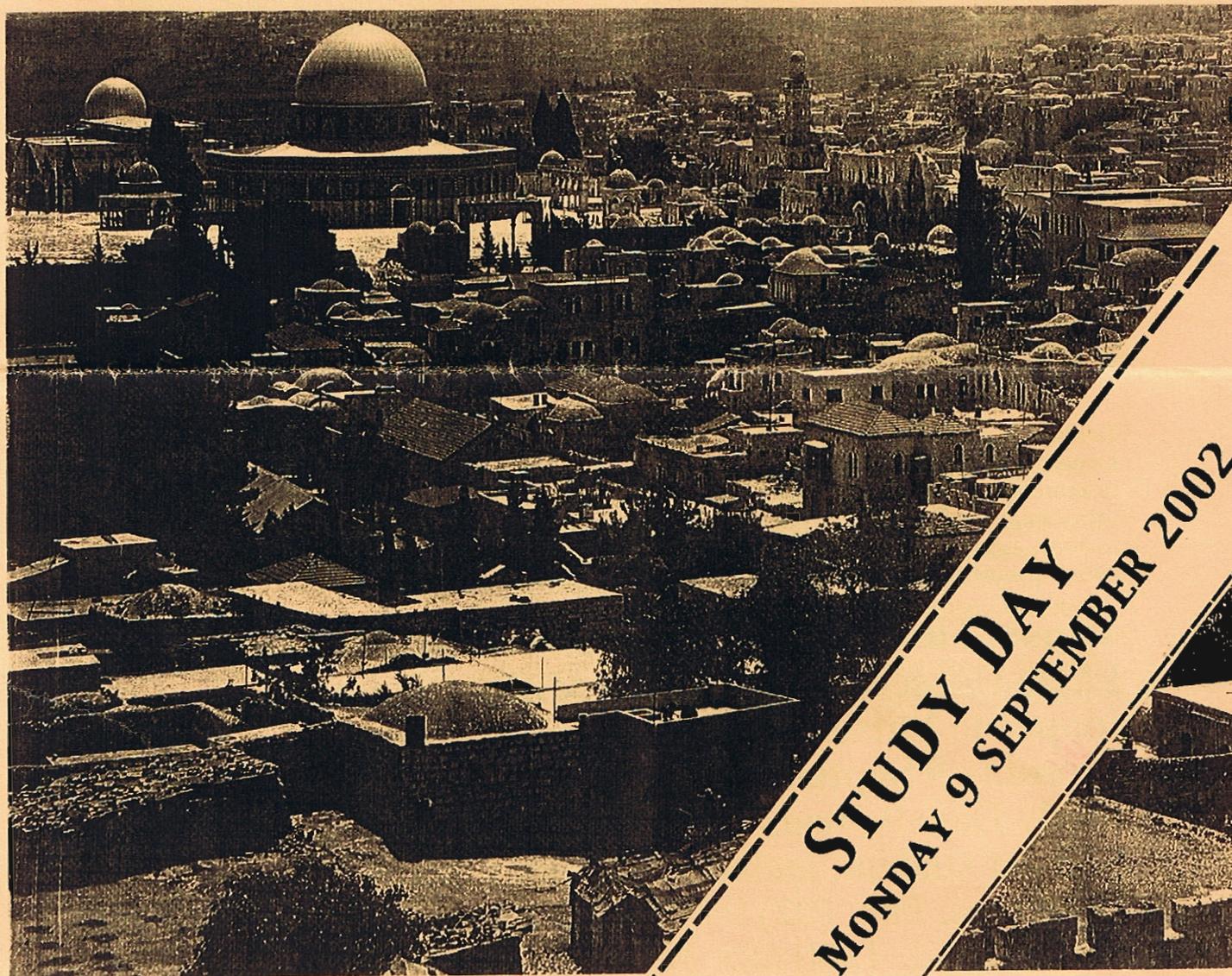


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# THE ARAB- ISRAELI CONFLICT

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**STUDY DAY**  
**MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2002**

# HSC Study Day Excursion

## The Arab-Israeli Conflict 1948 - 1996

- \* Gain an up-to-date appreciation of trends in the historiography of the Arab - Israeli Conflict
- \* Expand your understanding of the establishment of Fatah and the PLO
- \* Chart the attitudes of the Israeli Labor and Herud/Likud to peace proposals
- \* Study the role of the superpowers in the affairs of the Middle East
- \* Assess the regional and global impact of the Arab and Israeli peace initiatives from the 70s to the 90s
- \* Explore the competing influences and interests in Southern Lebanon and their implications for peace down to 1996

### Study Day Presenters:

**Maria Hill** BA (Hons) MA (UNSW) Dip Ed (Syd. Uni) has lectured at the University of NSW and is completing her doctorate. She has extensive experience as a high school teacher and examination marker of the HSC Modern History course, specialising in the Arab-Israeli conflict. She has published in *The Journal of Arabic, Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies* and is a regular presenter on the Arab-Israeli conflict both at Middle Eastern studies conferences and at teacher conferences. She has co-authored a new HSC textbook with Ian J Bickerton on the historiography of the Arab-Israeli Conflict entitled: *Contested Spaces*.

**Associate Professor Ian J Bickerton** BA (Hons) (Adelaide) MA (Kansas State), Ph.D (Claremont), researches and publishes widely on US foreign policy, the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Gulf War and teaches at the University of NSW. His publications include, with Michael Pearson *The Arab-Israeli Conflict*, with Michael Pearson *43 Days - The Gulf War* and with Carla Klausner, *The Concise History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*. He is co-author with Maria Hill of a new textbook: *Contested Spaces- The Historiography of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, to be published by McGraw-Hill later this year.

**Dr Philip Mendes** is a lecturer at Monash University in Melbourne. He is a long-standing activist for Israeli/Palestinian peace, and was coordinator of the Australian Jewish Democratic Society in 1989-90. He has published widely in local and international journals on Jewish and Middle eastern politics and history and his articles include "An Historical Controversy: The Causes of the Palestinian Refugee Problem" in *The Journal of Arab, Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol 3, No 1 1996, pp.83-102 and "An Historical Controversy: The Mufti of Jerusalem, the Palestinians and the Holocaust", *Australian Journal of Jewish Studies*, Vol 12 (1998), pp.81-102.

**Leanne Piggott** MA (Syd) M.Phil (Oxford) lectures in Middle East Studies in the Department of Government and International Relations at the University of Sydney. Her research area is the Arab - Israeli conflict. She also works in conflict resolution and is a member of the Commission for Security and Cooperation in West Asia (Persian Gulf region). Leanne Piggott has published widely on the Arab-Israeli conflict and is co-author with Suzanne D. Rutland of a textbook on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

**Venue: The Institution of Engineers Auditorium  
Eagle House, 118 Alfred St., Milsons Point  
(opposite Milsons Point station)**

**Monday 9 September 2002**

**Study Day: 9.30am - 2.30pm**

**\$22 per student, includes timelines, maps & notes.**

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# **'The Arab-Israeli Conflict' HSC History Study Day Excursion**

## **MONDAY 9 September 2002**

### **Milsons Point**

**9.30am-10.30am      The Historiography of the Arab-Israeli Conflict 1948-1967**

**Maria Hill**

An introductory presentation on the period 1948 to 1967 with an emphasis on significant works of historiography. We will examine the historiography of the 1948 war, the significance of the rise of pan-Arab nationalism and Gamal Abdul Naser, the creation, aims, methods and effectiveness of the Palestine Liberation organisation (PLO) from 1964, the 1967 war and Resolution 242. Students will be provided with a handout containing bibliography of historians referred to in the presentation, a worksheet of organisations under the PLO umbrella, as well as maps and source materials.

**10.30am-10.50am      Morning Tea**

**10.50am-11.50am      Effects of the creation of Israel on the Palestinian people and the Jewish people in Arab countries**

**Dr Philip Mendes**

This presentation will be a case study comparing the experience of the Palestinian refugees and the Jewish people expelled from Iraq. How did the creation of Israel disrupt settled communities? What was the reaction of surrounding states? What was the reaction of the international community? There will be an emphasis also on the historiography of the refugee issue. Students will be provided with a handout and bibliography related to the presentation.

**5 minute break**

**11.55am-12.50pm      The Peace Process 1970s-1996**

**Assoc/Prof. Ian Bickerton**

Peace

This presentation will examine the role and objectives of the superpowers in relation to events in the Middle East. It will detail the attitudes and policies of the Israeli Labor and Herud/Likud parties and of the PLO towards peace proposals. The regional and global impact of the Arab and Israeli peace initiatives from the 1970s to the 1990s will be discussed with a coverage of the 1978 Camp David Agreement, the 1991 Madrid Peace Conference, the 1993 Oslo Accord and the 1994 Peace Treaty with Jordan, the 1994 assassination of Rabin and the 1996 election of Netanyahu. Students will be provided with a handout and bibliography related to the presentation

**12.50pm-1.30pm      Lunch Break**

**1.30pm -2.30pm      1982-1996 Lebanon, Intifada, Gulf War      Leanne Piggott**

Beginning with the events leading to the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in 1982, this presentation will move on to the course of the war and its consequences. Particular attention will be paid to competing influences and interests in the ongoing conflict in Southern Lebanon down to 1996 and regional implications. Other issues that also will be dealt with include Hizbullah, the development of the Intifada, the formation of Hamas and the effects of the Gulf War. Students will be provided with handout materials related to the presentation.