

EDUCATOR SUBMITTED LESSON PLAN

Land Purchase as the Zionist mean to develop the State

SUBJECT AND GRADE LEVEL

Land Purchase as the Zionist means to develop the State; 5th Grade

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ENDURING UNDERSTANDING

Land purchase in Palestine in the 1920s was strategic and led to the successful creation of the State.

OBJECTIVES:

Students will:

- Understand the reasons of the JNF in purchasing lands from the Arabs in Early 20th century.
- Understand that strategically purchasing a land leads to a Jewish state.
- Understand the importance of buying certain areas in the land for strategic reasons and economics reasons.

ASSESSMENT:

- Blank Map of Israel - Students will color blank map in the following colors by criteria:
 - Red - strategic importance.
 - Green - Agriculture importance.
 - Yellow - Economic importance.
 - Brown - Territorial importance.
 - Blue - Water sources importance.
- Students stand on a big floor map in areas that they think are the most important strategically and economically.
- Monopoly Game - In groups, students will play *Eretz Yisrael* Monopoly. The board shaped as an outline of the state of Israel with the names of the Landscape: water sources, mountainous, regions, cities etc... Students play by the monopoly rules and purchase places by priority of the developing a Jewish state. (Rails, houses, post, farms, water canals, educational and schools, airport, sea port, waterfalls for electricity, hotels, *kibbutz*, *moshav*, cultural centers)

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Materials:

- Blank Map
- Big Floor Map of Israel
- Money - Shekels
- Prepared Monopoly game by the teacher
 - Places from the 20th century: Cercaria, Ako, Jaffa, Jerusalem, Petach Tikva, Tel Aviv, Tiberias, Tzfat, Hevron, Rechovot, Hadera, Zichron, Haifa, Rishon Le' Zion, Degania Alef, Um Rash Rash, Zichron, Kefar Rupin
- Strategic Locations: Eilat, Haifa, Tel Aviv/Jaffa, Rosh Hanikra, Rosh Pina, Jerusalem
- Authentic Map from the Yishuv 1900.
- Source on purchasing land at the early 20th rewritten for 5th grade students.

(<http://ismi.emory.edu/home/documents/stein-publications/website%20docs%202011-2004/website%20docs%202000%20and%20earlier/JNF-Stein1984.pdf>)