Israel and Palestine Conflict

Answer the Questions below about Israel and Palestine.

1. After reading over the resources provided, write out in paragraph form a brief history of the Israel - Palestinian conflict.

<http://www.nytimes.com/learning/teachers/studentactivity/20090109gazahistory.pdf>

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/shared/spl/hi/middle_east/03/v3_israel_palestinians/maps/html/1967_and_now.stm>

2. What role does religion play in this conflict?

3. What is the significance of Jerusalem for both groups?

4. What is the West Bank and the Gaza Strip?

5. What do the Palestinians want out of this conflict? Explain.

6. What do the Israelis want out of this conflict? Explain.

Once the questions above are completed answer the more specific question below.

Use <https://www.vox.com/2018/11/20/18079996/israel-palestine-conflict-guide-explainer> to help answer the questions below.

1. What are Israel and Palestine? Why are they fighting?
2. What is Zionism?
3. How did Israel become a country in the first place?
4. What is the Nakba?
5. What is the West Bank?
6. What is Jerusalem?
7. What is Gaza?
8. What are settlements, and why are they such a big deal?
9. What is the Palestinian Liberation Organization? How about Fatah and the Palestinian Authority?
10. What is Hamas?
11. What were the intifadas?
12. How are other Middle Eastern countries handling the conflict?
13. Why are the US and Israel so friendly?
14. How does the world feel about Israel/Palestine?
15. What is the Israeli-Palestinian peace process?
16. How do the current Israeli and Palestinian governments approach the conflict?
17. What are the “two-state solution” and the “one-state solution”?
18. What happens if the peace process fails?
19. **What, in your informed opinion, is the best solution for all parties involved? Explain, be very specific and thoughtful.**

Create four open ended critical thinking questions to ask the class about the Israel/ Palestine conflict. They should include big picture questions as well as specific questions regarding the conflict.