

***PALESTINE IS STILL THE ISSUE* (by John Pilger 2002) (53 minutes)**

This DVD is a very good introductory film. Additionally, portions of it can be used to expand on questions your students have or to illustrate other lessons. For instance, you could show separately the sections on checkpoints, suicide bombings, Israeli refuseniks, settlements, Israeli state terrorism, peace processes & bantustan reality. Each of these short sections contain interesting interviews and footage that can enrich understanding.

Minute	Chapter Title	(Duration)	Details
1:	Prologue	(2 mins 42 secs)	
2: 42	Culture Ministry Vandalized	(3 mins 1 sec)	
6:	Historical Background	(2 mins 11 secs)	-- (also at min. 18 in more history: 1948, refugees, return, 1967)
8:	Checkpoint Death	(3 mins 25 secs)	(more on checkpoints in the settlements section) -- baby dies because family is not allowed to go to hospital for birth
11:40:	A Refusenik's Perspective	(1 min 23 secs)	
13:	Suicide Bombers	(5 mins 20 secs)	-- interview w/ brother of Palestinian suicide bomber, interview w/ Israeli father of daughter killed by suicide bomber
18:	Jewish Settlements	(8 mins 3 secs)	-- talks to settlers, goes to settlement, drives on Jewish-only roads
28:	The Effects of the Occupation	(4 mins 1 sec)	-- Gaza, closure
30:	The US Role	(3 mins 9 secs)	-- also Britain, funding & weapons,
33:	State Terrorism	(6 mins 2 secs)	-- history of Zionist terrorism: Begin (King David Hotel bombing), Shamir (assassinations), Sharon (Sabra & Shatila massacre) are former terrorists now leaders; interview w/ Israeli PM spokesperson
39:	Peace Talks	(3 mins 7 secs)	-- 1988 PLO recognition of Israel, 1993 Oslo, Camp David 2000 offer
42:	Palestinian Youth	(2 mins 43 secs)	-- trauma, depression, sleep disorders, etc.
45:	A Palestinian State	(2 mins 43 secs)	
48:	Criticism = Anti-Semitism?	(3 mins 55 secs)	-- and conclusion

The DVD-Rom portion of the disk has more information on it and could be useful if you are searching for maps or timelines to show, or specifics about water, refugees, the PLO, or suggested ways to settle the land issue, etc.

Teacher warning: in minute 4 the word “shit” is used to describe the feces in bags smeared by Israeli soldiers on a Palestinian photocopier; minute 7 has disturbing footage of soldiers beating a Palestinian with a rock,

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Take notes on the sections of this film.

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