

Worksheet: Regional Forces, External Powers and Leaders

Consolidation and analysis

The conflict never existed in isolation: regional upheaval, superpower rivalry, oil and a handful of decisive leaders all shaped its course. The Iranian Revolution content supports Task 6.

Q1. What was the significance of the Iranian Revolution of 1979 for the wider Middle East?

Q2. Explain how oil and superpower rivalry shaped the course of the conflict.

Q3. Match each leader to their significance: Nasser, Sadat, Begin, Rabin, Arafat.

Q4. "The struggle for peace in the Middle East was shaped more by the decisions of individual leaders than by structural forces." To what extent do you agree? Use evidence from across the elective. (Task 6 practice.)