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91596 Demonstrate understanding of ideological responses to an issue

Credits: Four

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of ideological responses to an issue.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of ideological responses to an issue.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of ideological responses to an issue.

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You should attempt the task in this booklet.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Use an issue that you have studied to respond to the task below, and **relevant social studies concepts** and **specific evidence** in your response.

Your response should be concise and well argued.

Space for identifying your chosen issue and for planning is provided below.

Begin your response below.

TASK: IDEOLOGICAL RESPONSES TO AN ISSUE

Evaluate the extent to which ideological responses, **shaped by indoctrination**, have influenced your chosen issue.

In your response, you should also include:

- the nature of the issue
- diverse points of view, values, and perspectives on the issue
- ideological responses to the issue from more than one individual / group
- the impact of those ideological responses on the issue
- how and / or why the ideologies have influenced the responses to the issue
- how indoctrination has shaped the ideological responses.

Note: Ideological responses are driven by a set of shared beliefs and ideas and may include imposition of restrictions, indoctrination, campaigns, inclusion and exclusion, and rewards and benefits. Within ideologies there are multiple points of view, values, and perspectives.

Issue: the gaza conflict

PLANNING

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TASK

Type your answer in the space below. You should aim to write a concise response of no more than 800–900 words. The quality of your writing is more important than the length of your response. (The counter will change colour when you reach the recommended word count.)

Remember: Use **relevant social studies concepts** and **specific evidence** in your response.

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The current conflict happening in Gaza demonstrates how multiple different groups/individuals have ideologically responded to the issue and the impact indoctrination has had on their responses, as well as the impacts their responses have had on the issue. However to understand this conflict and for the responses of the individuals to make sense we first need to briefly go over the history of this conflict.

Those of Jewish faith believe that the land of Israel is their holy land. Before the second world war began Jews were already struggling to find a place they could call home, the British government had taken on the responsibility of finding the Jews a place where they could live and many different options were considered including Madagascar. Eventually a decision was reached and the Jews were told that they would be able to live in Palestine, the Palestinian population which was also mostly of Islamic faith was not happy about this and as a result the Jews were marginalised and targeted. The Jews weren't only targeted due to them being outsiders but also due to their differing faith, because in Islam any faith other than Islamic faith is strictly forbidden. Seeing the continuous harassment that the Jews faced the British government created Resolution 181 which partitioned Palestine into 2 different countries, one for the Palestinians, and one for the Jews, these countries were Palestine and Israel respectively. The split was made in a very strange manner where instead of creating two different whole countries instead separate regions were given to either the Jews or the Palestinians. This is what led to the Gaza Strip existing, a small stretch of land with Egypt on its south border, its west border being exposed to the ocean and its east border being next to Israeli land, the Gaza Strip is only 12 kilometers long which means that it is small and isolated.

Over time the Israeli part of this shared land mass grew larger and started pushing out the Palestinian population, this was done by rich Israelis purchasing land and housing over on the Palestinian side and then renting it out to other Jews which displaced the Palestinian population. This added to the growing resentment that was forming between the peoples of Palestine and Israel. When Israel was made into being there was also a city built that was the religious center for the Jews and anyone who shared their faith, Jerusalem, this city was split into 4 quarters as it was meant to be a place where everyone could exist on equal ground without their background ethnicity mattering. The resentment between the two sides grew further as the years progressed as the Palestinians never got over the fact that their country was forcefully divided in half and one half of it was given to a people that they religiously disagreed with and didn't want to live next to. The Jews were also unhappy with their Palestinian neighbours due to the continuous harassment and marginalisation that they experienced even many years after Resolution 181 was enacted. Then the Israeli government found out that Egypt had also started to resent them due to Egypt and Palestine being very friendly with each other and their shared faith in Islam. After finding this out the Israeli government engaged in a military strike which would later be called the "Six Day War" where the Israeli forces went onto Egyptian territory and destroyed their air base as well as other militarily significant objects and occupied their territory, they also pushed into Palestinian territory and occupied it too. This is when the United Nations and the British government stepped in again and enacted Resolution 242 which stated that Israel will no longer engage in unprovoked military action and will withdraw from all occupied territory in exchange for peace. Israel's attack on Egypt and Palestine was deemed unprovoked due to it being done as a "pre-emptive strike" out of suspicion, it only added to the resentment and hatred that the Palestinian population had for them.

Now let's jump to present day where Israel and Palestine are engaged in a full on war over the Gaza Strip and the attempt to wipe out the culture and identity of Palestine, this modern conflict is being fought by Israel with the United States backing them with their military might on one side, and Palestine with the support of the United Nations and the MSF otherwise known as Doctors Without Borders on the other side.

The United Nations have allocated a person called Tor Wennesland to be the chief of managing the conflict and making sure it ends. Tor Wennesland's perspective on the issue is that this conflict is being fought by two sides who have generations worth of built up resentment for each other, and that they are just doing violence for the sake of violence in an attempt to wipe the other side out. He believes that this conflict could be solved but it requires an effort to be made by both sides to calm down and talk to come to a solution that benefits both of them while also dealing with the generational hatred that they have for one another. Tor Wennesland values solving this conflict quickly to reduce the death toll from it in order to save innocent lives. He values coming to a solution that both sides agree on instead of forcing one of them to have the short end of the stick under threat of a larger country getting involved such as what Resolution 181 did, this will help with reducing the resentment towards each other from both sides due to them finally having an equal outcome. He also values world peace so he is very interested in preventing this conflict from getting any larger because that could lead to the nations who are currently just supporting the two sides of this war to instead get actively involved which would potentially lead to a world war.

Doctors Without Borders have had a person called Christos Christou come forward to talk on this issue, his perspective on the issue is that countless civilian and innocent lives are being lost because of this conflict. As a doctor his duty is to help those who are hurt and heal those who are injured, and when there is not a good reason for all of this conflict to be happening and for all of these lives to be lost he wants to get involved and save lives. Christos Christou believes in his duty as a doctor to save lives and while him or his organisation won't get directly involved with the fighting they will do everything in their power to help those who need it. Christos Christou values human life, he is a doctor that is what they do, they save lives, everybody only gets one chance to live and it isn't fair for that chance to be taken away from a civilian who didn't make the choice to be in a warzone. He values being independent, Doctors Without Borders is a charity, they aren't a government agent or a hired firm, this allows them to stay independent and to help anyone who needs it regardless of nationality, the side of the conflict, or their political views. He also values the living conditions of those who are trapped inside the warzone, he values them because they are humans, they deserve to be treated as such, drinkable water, food, and shelter is the least he could do.

Tor Wennesland and the United Nations as a whole largely subscribe to the ideology of pragmatism, which means that they try to solve the issue as fast and efficient as possible. In this case their pragmatic approach has resulted in a ceasefire being called in on both sides to stop the immediate issue of people being killed while a more diplomatic and long-term solution can be worked out. This response is tied to the ideology of pragmatism because it was the quickest, most effective way of solving the immediate problem.

Christos Christou and the Doctors Without Borders group as a whole largely subscribe to the ideology of humanitarianism, which means that they value human life above all else. In this case their humanitarian approach has resulted in the supplying of the people trapped inside the Gaza Strip with over 100,000 tonnes of medical supplies as well as 240,000 litres of clean drinking water; they also provide medical help to those who need it, even in the active war zones. This response is tied to the ideology of humanitarianism because it places human lives above material possessions such as those medical supplies and water, and above money-related things such as the cost of sourcing all of those resources and transporting them to where they need to be.

The impact of the United Nations' ideological response to the issue has been that the immediate death toll from the conflict has stopped increasing at such a rapid pace; however, now that both sides aren't actively fighting each other anymore it has led to the resentment starting to build up again. This could lead to fighting breaking out again or some civilians even resorting to guerrilla warfare which could be more dangerous due to its unorganised nature. It could also lead to difficulties when trying to reach a diplomatic solution because of both sides being more angry at each other again.

The impact of the Doctors Without Borders' ideological response to the issue has been that a lot of innocent lives have been saved and the living conditions of those who are trapped in or near the active zone have increased due to access to water and medical supplies. This could lead to some people calling Doctors Without Borders biased for only helping one side but they are just helping those who are most in need and currently it is the Palestinian side of the conflict. Their response has also led to increased coverage of this conflict in international media because the things that Doctors Without Borders have done have led to a safer environment that reporters could venture into to record and stream the reality of this conflict to the world.

The ideologies have influenced the two groups' responses to the issue by making the United Nations focus on ending the conflict and solving the problems it creates in the fastest but not very future-proof way of imposing a ceasefire under threat of them getting involved; this clearly reflects their ideology of pragmatism. Doctors Without Borders have selflessly imported over 100,000 tonnes of medical supplies and 240,000 litres of water, as well as many of their doctors being in the active war zone helping out the injured civilians and soldiers; this clearly reflects their ideology of humanitarianism.

Indoctrination has not shaped the response of the MSF (Doctors Without Borders) due to them being a privately funded charity; this means that they are not under the control of any body other than themselves. This means that they have not been indoctrinated especially when we look at their actions and see that they match up with their very publically advertised motives of helping those who are in need. They are doing exactly that by helping the Palestinian side because they are the ones who are most in need of their services in this conflict.

Indoctrination has not shaped the response of the United Nations because their response is neutral; if there were some indoctrination happening then I believe that we would be able to see a bias towards one of the parties in the conflict. However, that is not the case as a ceasefire is one of the most neutral responses that could have been made as it impacts both sides equally.

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M6	The candidate explained how and why the ideologies have influenced responses to the issue. They also explained how indoctrination has shaped the ideological responses.