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## If We Were Peace Advisors

*An extension of "Report card on Israel-Palestine conflict: both sides fail"*

The Israel-Palestine conflict has been raging since 1948. Thousands of lives have been lost, and there seems to be no end in sight. All attempts to bring peace to the region have failed so far. A *What's Up* article in our August issue explains how both sides have contributed to this problem. Pretend that you work with a team of peace experts, and you have been invited to advise the leaders of Israel and Palestine. Divide your class into six "Peace Advisory Teams".

### TO DO WITH YOUR TEAM

1. Read the article "**Report card on Israel-Palestine conflict: both sides fail**" (*What's Up* August 2016, page 11).
2. In the table below, answer the four questions from the point of view of the Israelis and the Palestinians respectively. This will help your team to understand more clearly how the Israelis and the Palestinians view the conflict situation.

Question	Israel's view	Palestine's view
On whose land do the Palestinians live?		
What does each side think of the other side?		
What do the leaders of each side want?		
What do most ordinary people there want?		

3. Based on the answers to the questions above, discuss the following questions. Jot down what the majority of your team members thinks is the best answer in each case.

a. What is the cost that is being paid because of the strife in the region?

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b. Do you think it is important that this conflict ends? Elaborate.

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c. What are some steps that you think the leaders of both sides should take to resolve this conflict?

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4. When all the teams have completed this exercise, have each team share its responses to Question 3(d) with the whole class.