**Formation of Modern Israel Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[How the modern state of Israel was created in 1948 - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/formation-of-modern-israel-reading/)

1. When was a united kingdom first established by the Israelites?
2. What caused the division of the united kingdom into two?
3. Who conquered the northern kingdom by 722 BCE?
4. Who captured Jerusalem and destroyed the First Temple in 586 BCE?
5. What significant event marked the beginning of the Second Temple period?
6. Who conquered the region in 332 BCE?
7. What was the outcome of the Maccabean Revolt in 167 BCE?
8. By which year had the Romans annexed Judea?
9. What devastating event occurred in 70 CE?
10. What is Zionism?
11. Who is often credited as the father of modern political Zionism?
12. What was the main goal of the World Zionist Organization established in 1897?
13. What was the British Mandate of Palestine?
14. What did the Balfour Declaration of 1917 express?
15. What was the Holocaust?
16. What was the UN's proposed solution to the conflicting national aspirations in Palestine in 1947?
17. How did the Jewish leadership in Palestine respond to the UN Partition Plan?
18. When was the State of Israel declared?
19. Who made the declaration of the State of Israel?
20. What conflict broke out immediately after the declaration of the State of Israel?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What were the* [*causes*](https://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/causes-and-consequences/) *of the creation of Modern Israel in 1948?*