Background

- **1948** – 1\(^{st}\) Arab-Israeli War after ISR independence
- **1956** – Suez Crisis
- **1967** – Six Day War
  - Israel takes over Sinai, Golan Heights, W. Bank, Gaza
Why the Arab World is Important

• Trade Routes at Suez & Gibraltar
• Center of the world’s 2\textsuperscript{nd} largest religion
• A small percentage of Arabs control a large percentage of the world’s oil.
Why Israel is Important

- ISR has no oil, population, geographic or strategic advantages & is surrounded by enemies
- Driven army w/ high morale (IDF)
- High level of education
- “Moral Claim”
- Supported by US Jews politically & economically
A New Start?

• 1970 – Nasser dies and Anwar Sadat takes over EGY w/ plan to reestablish US relations
  – Thought US could get ISR out of Sinai better than USSR
• 1972 – Expels 20K USSR troops → show US he means business →
• 1973 – Sends Ismail to DC → After no help, Sadat reluctantly goes back to USSR
  – AMBROSE: US did not care b/c they didn’t trust his intentions & were worried about EGY attacking ISR
Yom Kippur

- 10/6/1973 – EGY surprise attacks ISR
  - EGY drove deep into Sinai
  - ISR as a nation was threatened → Needed US help
Henry Kissinger

- Quotes on 261; YKW barely addressed by Kissinger.
- **Challenge**: Had to save ISR while avoiding OPEC oil embargo and bring peace to the Middle East
  - Proposes ceasefire, but neither side would accept because they were losing (ISR) or not winning enough (EGY)
  - US Congress/Public thought ISR the victim
  - Soviets made it worse by shipping arms after promising not to → **AMBROSE**: Challenge to US
Kissinger Picks Israel

- **AMBROSE**: Kissinger gives in to pressure b/c Russian guns should never prevail over US guns.
- Military aid on 10/13 → Encirclement of EGY army & SYR to Golan Hts. by 10/15
- Arab Response: **Great Oil Embargo of 1973**
  - **AMBROSE**: We never thought they’d stick together; We need them more than they need us
WWIII? No.

- **10/22 – UNSC-338** – Kiss. (through UN) & USSR call for ceasefire & implementation of **UNSC-242**

- **Moshe Dayan** (IDF) – Clashed w/ Kissinger b/c of delicate oil situation → angry
  - Brezhnev suggests US/USSR force to stop Dayan →
  - Kissinger’s “Deliberate Overreaction” (264) resulted in Brezhnev agreeing to non-nuclear UN Peacekeepers
  - Brezhnev agreed → Dayan ended pressure → War ends.
Shuttle Diplomacy

• Kissinger’s attempt to bargain w/ heads of state in ME → Didn’t achieve much except calls to compromise for both

• 1/18/74 – Egyptian-Israeli Accord – Mutual disengagement & pullback of forces along Suez + UN protection for buffer zone

• 3/18 – Embargo lifted

• May ’74 – Ceasefire signed → troops leave Golan
Aftermath

• 1977 – Kissinger leaves office
  – ISR still occupies most of Sinai, Palestinian territory
• Fall ’78 – Carter meets w/ Sadat & Menachem Begin @ Camp David ➔ no peace treaty
• Early ’79 – Meet again & sign a treaty…
Camp David Accords

- Egypt recognizes Israel; Peace
- Israel leaves Sinai
- Future of PLO vague
- No mention of Golan Heights or Jerusalem
- Nobel Peace Prizes all around!

Seriously!
What about ME?
- YA
In the Arab World...

- Arab states denounced Sadat even though ISR left Sinai by 1982.
- Sadat assassinated by his own troops in 1981 – VP Hosni Mubarak takes over until 2011