

Questions, week 11 (Metzer, Gorenberg)

1. (Metzer) What is an economy? What is a dual economy (pp. 10-13)?
2. What were the dual roles of the Mandatory? Were they compatible?
3. Why did Jewish immigrants settle on the coast and plains, not in the area of ancient Judea and Israel? Why were they mostly urban (Table 1.2)?
4. What were Jewish motives in buying land? What was the role of the JNF? Was the price paid by Jews and the JNF “too high” or “too low”?
5. Who sold land to the JNF (p. 89)? Why should we care?
6. What is “Arab landlessness” (p. 91)? Compare Figures 4.2 and 4.3 (pp. 99, 102).
7. (Gorenberg) How did the 1967 war start?
8. What was Israeli policy immediately after the 1967 war?
9. How did events in Vietnam affect the Middle East in 1967?
10. How does this history affect choices by different parties today?