Essay Final- Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Attach this piece of paper to the front of your essay when you turn it in.

1. In your opinion, is peace possible between Israel and Palestine? Explain your answer by fully clarifying *at least three* specific examples from the Issues list below. These will become your topic sentences.

Major Issues and Solutions:

1. Palestinian Statehood
2. Borders/Barriers
3. Relocation of Palestinian Refugees
4. Future of Jerusalem
5. Physical link between Gaza and the West Bank
6. Water and Natural Resource Distribution
7. The increase of Neighborhood/Settlements within the West Bank

Type your responses in a 5 paragraph MLA essay. It should contain the following:

1. An introduction that includes:
2. A hook (think about the parable we discussed)
3. A quick historical overview of the situation and
4. A thesis statement that previews which issues you will be discussing.
5. Three body paragraphs:
6. Each paragraph should fully explain the specific issue **and** solution (or lack thereof).
7. Each body paragraphs must contain a topic Sentence, two (2) concrete details, and commentary (why is this important), as well as transitions.
8. A conclusion that:
	1. Summarizes your essay
	2. Reaffirms your thesis.

You will be graded on MLA format, grammar and punctuation, as well as how strong you can make your argument.

Grading Rubric:

\_\_\_\_\_/06 pts- Introduction

 Hook

 Overview

 Thesis

\_\_\_\_\_/20 pts- Three paragraphs that address the question, is peace possible and contains:

 TS, CD, CM, and transitions

\_\_\_\_\_/10 pts- Correct grammar, punctuation and essay is in MLA format

\_\_\_\_\_/04 pts- Conclusion that summarizes their answer

\_\_\_\_\_/ 40 Unassisted Points