

Creation of Israel

- Created in 1948 to finally give Jews a homeland
 - With the support of the United Kingdom and the United States
- Done without consulting Palestinians living there
 - Israelis forcing relocation of Palestinians to allow for settlement by Israelis
 - Resulting in major tensions between Israelis and West against Palestinians and Arabs





The Decolonization of India

- Following World War II
 Britain was trying to
 maintain imperial control
 - Policy of non-violence resistance led by Mahatma
 Gandhi
- Partition of India
 - Pakistan created Aug 14,
 1947
 - India created Aug 15, 1947
 - Led to migration of over 14 million people

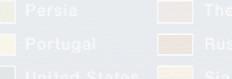




Forming the People's Republic of China

- People's Republic of China formed in 1949
 - Agricultural "paradise"
 under communistic ideals
 - Under leadership of Mao
 Ze Dong
 - Closed off relations with almost all other countries





The Great Leap Forward and The Cultural Revolution

- Great Leap Forward
 - Economic reforms between 1958-1961
 - Trying to show strength of Chinese style communism
 - Steel and agricultural production
 - 30-40 million people died
- Cultural Revolution
 - Policies enacted by Mao between 1966-1976
 - Hoping to rebuild the ideals of the early communist party
 - Teachings written in "Little Red Book"
 - Purge of high command
 - Failed horribly



Cambodian Genocide

- Led by communist leader Pol Pot of the Khmer Rouge from 1975 to 1979
 - Tried creating classless society
 - 1.5 million died from starvation, overwork, and execution
- Pol Pot and Khmer Rouge removed by Vietnamese
 - Few leaders of Khmer Rouge tried as war criminals



Rapid Economic Growth

- Under American oversight Japan's economy grew greatly in Post-World War II Era
 - Especially in electronics and automobiles
- Four Asian Tigers
 - Singapore, Taiwan, South Korea, and Hong Kong
 - High levels of economic development in the 1960s

Tiananmen Square

- Protest against actions of government in June,
 1989
- Student protest against corruption and in favor of liberal reforms
- Government enforced martial law
 - 2,000 dead?
 - 10,000 wounded?



