



## **How Well Do You Know Israel?!**

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1. The name of the book that jumpstarted the modern political movement of Zionism was:  
a. Rome and Jerusalem      b. The Jewish State      c. Autoemancipation      d. Minhat Yehudah
2. The First Aliyah began immediately after the First World Zionist Congress.  
a. True      b. False
3. The original mandate for Palestine included which combination of modern states?  
a. Israel and Lebanon      b. Israel and Syria      c. Israel and Jordan      d. Israel and the Sinai
4. When was the name Judea changed to Palestine?  
a. In the 7<sup>th</sup> century      b. In 135 CE      c. In 1299      d. In 1917
5. Which document contains a pledge from the British government to the Jewish people?  
a. White Paper of 1922      b. White Paper of 1939      c. Sikes-Picot Letter      d. Balfour Declaration
6. Where did Prime Minister Bennett spend Shabbat?  
a. Sochi, Russia      b. Jerusalem      c. Ra'anana      d. UAE
7. Regarding the UN, who said: "If Algeria introduced a resolution that the earth was flat and that Israel had flattened it, it would pass by a vote of 164 to 13 with 26 abstentions."?  
a. Menachem Begin      b. Abba Eban      c. Nikki Haley      d. David BenGurion

**Food for thought @ your Shabbat table:** What is the significance of the name change from Judea to Palestine today?

Answers:

1. b. The Jewish State was written by Theodore Herzl and jumpstarted the modern political movement that organized the large numbers of Jews which had started making Aliyah. Rome and Jerusalem by Moses Hess, Autoemancipation by Leo Pinsker and Minhat Yehudah by Yehudah Alkalai were all books written earlier about Jews returning to the Land of Israel and restoring their physical nationhood.
2. b. The First Aliyah of the Zionist Movement began in 1882. The First World Zionist Congress was in 1897.
3. c. The original mandate given to England by the League of Nations included modern day Israel and Jordan.
4. b. The name of Judea was changed by the Romans in 135CE, as a response to the Bar Kokhba Revolt. The name change was intended to punish the Jews and erase their attachment to the land. The other dates are significant as follows: the Arabian Moslems conquered Jerusalem in the 7<sup>th</sup> century. The Ottoman Empire began in 1299. The Balfour Declaration was issued in 1917.
5. d. The Balfour Declaration was a letter from the English Foreign Secretary promising to facilitate the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine. The White Paper of 1922 cut off modern Jordan from the Palestine mandate. The White Paper of 1939 severely limited Jewish immigration to and land purchase in Palestine. The Sikes-Picot letter was a secret agreement between England and France about how they would divide the Ottoman Empire at the end of World War I.
6. a. The Prime Minister spent Shabbat in Sochi because his meetings with President Putin extended to late Friday and he was not able to make it back to Israel in time for Shabbat. The Chabad in Sochi made arrangements for Shabbat. The Prime Minister's personal residence is in Ra'anana. The Prime Minister's official residence is in Jerusalem.
7. b. Abba Eban served as Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations from 1949 to 1959. He also served as Israel's Ambassador to the United States and as Foreign Secretary of the State of Israel.