

Introduction:

- What is 9/11
 - Attack on America where Al-Qaeda lead by Osama Bin Laden hijacked 4 passenger airliners and crashed them into buildings in New York and Washington DC.
- Why is it important to understand the events that led up to 9/11, along with the events that happened before and after?
 - We live in a moment of time that, since 9/11, is full of terror. In order to
 prevent/destroy/come together with these groups we need to understand the groups
 causing terror and their motivations. We also need to evaluate our actions to determine
 whether we are being effective with our current/future actions (we do not want to
 become the terrorists).

Introduction

- You will learn:
 - Events that happened Before 9/11 (you should know 3 to 5 events)
 - Events that happened the Day of 9/11 (you should know 3 to 5 events)
 - Events that happened After 9/11 (you should know 3 to 5 events)
- You should be able to express:
 - Who was behind the attack
 - What their motivation for the attack was
 - Who were the major leaders during this time
 - The targets of 9/11
 - The cities involved in 9/11
 - The goal of al-Qaeda
 - What war or wars did we go to because of 9/11
 - How far should our government go to protect our safety

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Introduction - Vocabulary

Terrorism

 The use or threat of violence to create fear and alarm

Guantanamo Bay

 A US military base located in Cuba, which we keep major prisoners from the war on Terror

Jihad

A Holy War

Infidels

 (In Muslim Use) A person who does not accept the Islamic faith

Taliban

 The extreme Islamic government that controlled Afghanistan before 9/11

al-Qaeda

 The terrorist organization led by Osama Bin Laden

Before 9/11

- Key events that happened Before 9/11
 - Cold War (1945 to 1989)
 - USSR Invasion of Afghanistan (1979 to 1989)
 - The rise of al-Qaeda
 - Osama Bin Laden
 - Sheikh Mohammed (Henchmen that designed the plan of 9/11)
 - His motivation/goals
 - Sharia Law
 - Iraq War (Persian Gulf War 1990)
 - 1st Attack on the World Trade Center(1993)
 - Black Hawk Down (1993)
 - US Embassy bombings (1998)
 - Kenya and Tanzania
 - Attack on the USS Cole (2000)

Before 9/11 -- The Cold War

Cold War

- 1945 to 1989
- This was a conflict between the US and USSR (Russia)
- Communism VS Democracy
- Both were considered Superpowers and Nuclear Powers
- It was called a cold war because neither fought each other directly – they would fight through allies
- The Soviet Union was our biggest enemy in the years between 1945 and 1989. We would do anything to make sure they failed
- 1979 USSR invades Afghanistan
 - The US which did not want to get in a direct conflict with the Soviet Union (USSR), would aid Afghan rebels to prevent the Soviet Union from being successful in their invasion
- 1988 USSR pulls out of Afghanistan

Before 9/11 -- The Rise of al-Qaeda

 Rise of al-Qaeda



- CIA secretly support the Afghan Rebels
 - Giving them intel, weapons, and training
 - Things go well because of US support and Stinger missiles
 - Leader of the Rebels was <u>Osama Bin Laden</u>
 - Bin Laden and al-Qaeda seen as Heros to the Afghan people for leading a **Jihad** against a world Superpower (USSR) and winning
 - Al-Qaeda, thanks to their success against the USSR, start to build a world organization
 - 32 Stations in the US (recruiting centers)
 - 1988 USSR pulls out of Afghanistan and Bin Laden gets all the credit

Before 9/11 -- The Rise of al-Qaeda

Rise of al-Qaeda

- al-Qaeda believes in an extreme religious law called Sharia Law:
 - Theft punishable by amputation
 - Things punishable by Death:
 - Criticizing Muhammad (prophet of Islam)
 - Criticizing Allah (God for Islam)
 - A Non-Muslim who leads a Muslim away from Islam
 - Non-Muslim man who marries a Muslim woman
 - A woman or girl found guilty of adulter

Before 9/11 -- The Rise of al-Qaeda

 Rise of al-Qaeda



- al-Qaeda believed in an extreme religious law called Sharia Law:
 - Laws against Women
 - A women who has been raped cannot testify in court against her rapist
 - 4 male witnesses are required to prove rape of a female
 - A woman who alleges rape without producing 4 male witnesses is guilty of adultery
 - Men can have up to 4 wives
 - A man can beat his wife for insubordination
 - A woman cannot drive a car
 - A woman cannot speak alone to a man who is not her husband or relative

Before 9/11 -- Osama Bin Laden

Osama Bin Laden

- Bin Laden is the leader and creator of the Terrist group called al-Qaeda
- · He was the son of a Saudi Billionaire
 - Construction Industry
- Won Hero Status for leading Jihad against a world superpower and winning (USSR)
- Built al-Qaeda throughout world Creating 32 stations in the US
 - Recruiting centers
- Major Henchmen of Bin Laden
 - Sheikh Mohammed
 - Master Mind of 9/11
 - Went to school in the US

Before 9/11 -- Osama Bin Laden

Osama Bin Laden

- What made him turn against the US
 - Angered & humiliated that Saudi Arabia choose the USA to defend the holy land against Iraq instead of him
 - Angered that infidels were invited into the holy land
- 3 Goals of attacks
 - Wanted all US troops/allies out of Saudi Arabia
 - Wanted the US to attack Bin Laden on his home turf of Afghanistan
 - Wanted to unite the Muslim world against the Western world
- We tried to kill Bin Laden in 1998, but failed

Before 9/11 -- Iraq War

Iraq War

- 1990 Saddam Hussein invades Kuwait for its oil
- Bin Laden, hot off his victory over the USSR asks Saudi Arabia to let him defend the Holy Land
- Saudi Arabia says NO, and instead asks the United States for help
 - This humiliated Bin Laden and he is angered that infidels were invited into the Holy Land
 - He does not want Western Influence
- The US easily wins the war and establishes military bases throughout SW Asia
- Bin Laden begins to attack the US
- 1991 Bin Laden is exiled from Saudi Arabia

1st Attack on Trade Towers

- February 1993
- Truck bomb detonated below the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City
 - Killed 6 people and injured more than 1,000
 - Watch 1st minute of clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QQMN0Q0fRL0

Black Hawk Down

- 1993 US military was in Somalia helping to hand out food to the starving people
- In a mission gone wrong US Black Hawks are shot down and US soldiers are killed and captured
 - The US will pull out of Somalia
 - 1996 Bin Laden is kicked out of Sudan and goes back to Afghanistan
 - 1996 Taliban takes over the government of Afghanistan
 - Taliban is a strict Islamic state, that follows Sharia Law
 - Watch 1st 3
 minutes: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SF41Qn
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- Embassies Attacked
- 1998 US Embassies are attacked in Kenya and Tanzania
 - Suicide Truck bombs
 - 224 people died
 - 4500 wounded

- USS Cole
- 2000 al-Qaeda bombs the USS Cole a guided missile destroyer
 - In Yemen
 - Suicide boat attack
 - Kills 17 sailors

• <mark>9/11</mark>

September 11, 2001

Journal Assignment

- Write a short essay about <u>BEFORE 9/11</u>.
- Must Haves:
 - Topic Sentence: Tells the reader what you are talking about.
 - Main Idea:
 - Supported by 2 facts or elaborations
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 - Conclusion: This wraps up your thoughts and gives the reader something to think about.

Journal Assignment

- Example Essay:
- Highlight <u>Topic</u> and <u>Conclusion</u> <u>GREEN</u>
- Highlight <u>Transition Words</u>, that begin a <u>new main idea</u> in <u>YELLOW</u>

Before 9/11, America was unaware of a growing threat that was going to change our lives forever. This threat was a terrorist group called al-Qaeda.

To begin with, al-Qaeda, which was led by Osama Bin Laden, wanted all foreign (Western)influences out of the Muslim world. To accomplish this, they world plan massive attacks against countries such as the United States. They planned and carried out attacks on our embassies in Kenya and Tanzania and attacked one of our US warships called the USS Cole. Finally, al-Qaeda created an organization inside our own country. al-Qaeda created 32 bases throughout the United States, which recruited members and raised millions to support their terrorist organization.

In the end, Americans became very aware of al-Qaeda and became determined to defeat this group and all others that followed.