

Key Issue 3: WHY DO ETHNICITIES CLASH?


Rubenstein, pp. 224-229

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**ETHNIC COMPETITION TO DOMINATE NATIONALITY**

1. Make notes on major issues in each of these ethnic conflicts and shade and annotate the map at right as necessary.

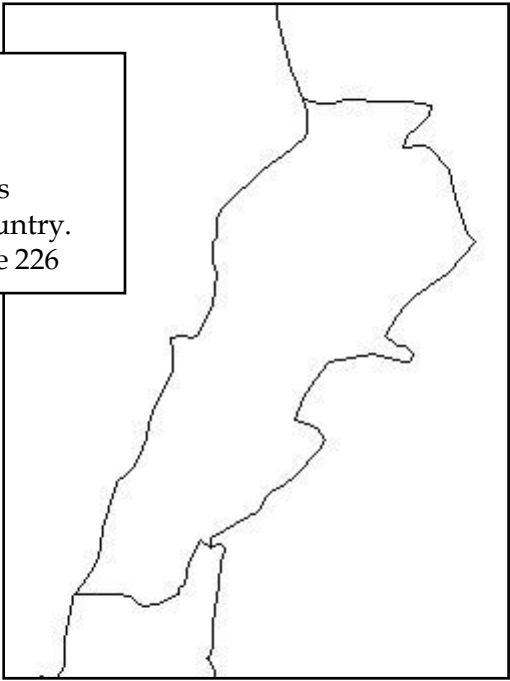
Case Study: AFRICA

ETHIOPIA and ERITREA	
SUDAN	SOMALIA

## Case Study: LEBANON

2. Read Ethnic Competition in Lebanon on page 225-226 and complete the case study as organized here.

2a. Label the map of Lebanon and the surrounding region. Indicate the religious geography of the country. Use the map on page 226



2b.

CHRISTIANS of LEBANON (largest to smallest in #)	% of population

c. Describe the breakdown of Muslim branches and their percentages in Lebanon.

d. What is the most important non-Muslim non-Christian group? Describe their belief.

e. How did Lebanon’s 1943 constitution seek to solve the religion problem?

- The president...
- The premier...
- The speaker of the chamber of deputies...
- The foreign minister...

f. How has the make-up of the population changed since 1943?

g. What happened in 1975? How has it been resolved?

## DIVIDING ETHNICITIES AMONG MORE THAN ONE STATE

3. When the British ended colonial control of South Asia in 1947, what did they do in the region?

a. politically?...

b. ethnically (religiously)?...

4. Some BIG numbers of forced migrants:

i. How many people found themselves “on the wrong side of [the] boundary” in the 1940s?

ii. How many Muslims migrated from India to West Pakistan (Pakistan, today)?

iii. How many Muslims migrated from India to East Pakistan (Bangladesh, today)?

iv. How many Hindus migrated from East and West Pakistan into India?

v. What happened to many of the refugees as they traveled?

5. Why is the region of Kashmir problem?

a. politically?

b. in terms of religion?

6. Note the following regions on the map

- a) India
- b) Pakistan
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Jammu and Kashmir

Also label: Sri Lanka, Nepal, Butan, Myanmar, China, and Afghanistan.



## CaseStudy:SRILANKA

7. Read Dividing Sri Lanka Among Ethnicities on page 228 and complete the case study as organized here.

7a. Create a map of the religious-ethnic geography of the island of Ceylon, the country of Sri Lanka.



7b. Make a chart which compares the two ethnicities of this country in terms of language and religion.

ETHNIC GROUP and %	LANGUAGE (family, etc.)	RELIGION	WHERE?

c. How has violence between these two groups (which goes back 2,000 years) been suppressed during the past 300 years?

d. What occurred in 1948?

e. Which group is unhappy? Why?