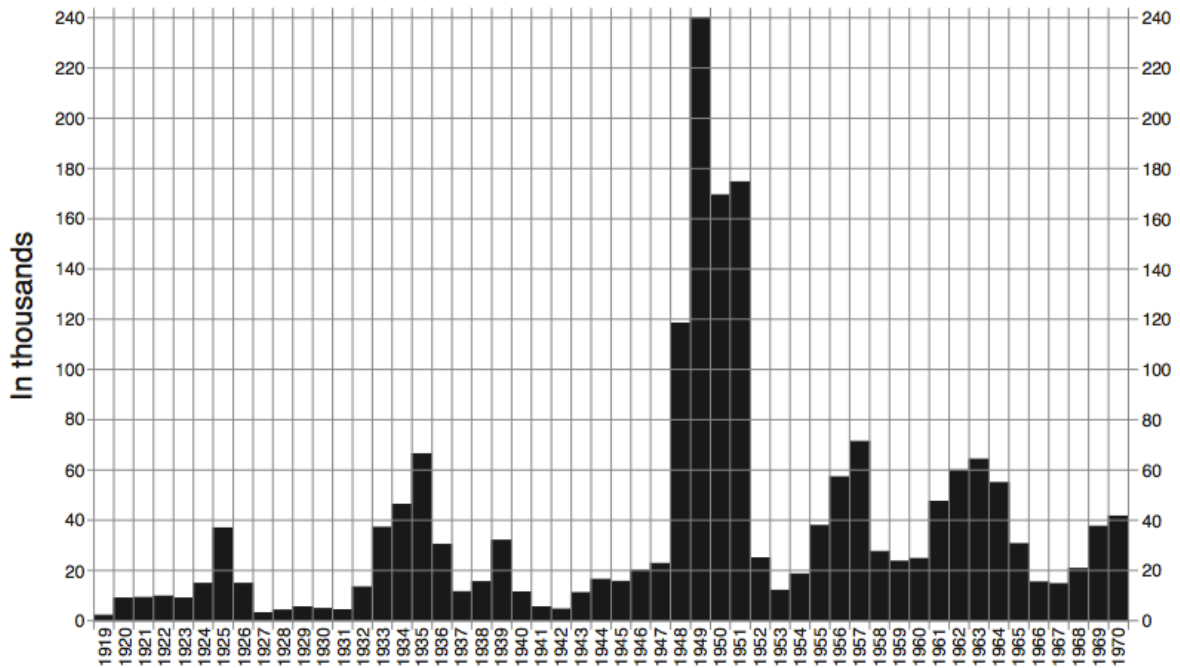


MIGRATION: JEWISH MIGRATION TO PALESTINE

Directions: Analyze the documents and answer the short-answer questions that follow in the space provided.

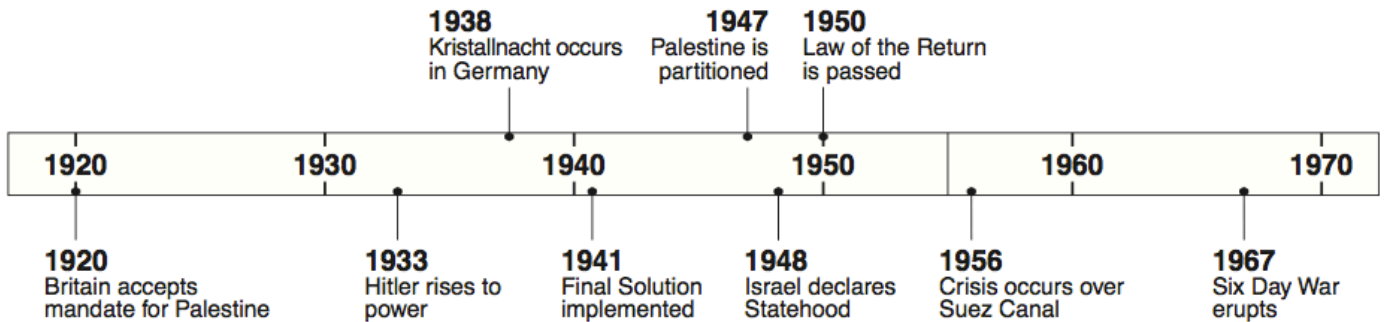
Document 4a

Immigration of Jews to the Land of Erez Israel (1919–1970)



Source: *Encyclopaedia Judaica*, Volume 9, Keter Publishing House Jerusalem (adapted)

Document 4b



1. Based on these documents, identify two specific reasons large numbers of Jewish immigrants moved to the Palestinian/Israeli region between 1920 and 1970.
 - a.
 - b.

Document 5a

Arab Palestinians began to leave their homes in cities in December 1947. The number of Arab Palestinians leaving their homes increased to hundreds of thousands by May 1948. During the last week of April in 1948, as the fighting came closer to their home, the Palestinian family in this passage left Jaffa for Ramallah. On May 14, 1948, Israel was established. This new country included the city of Jaffa. Ramallah was in the West Bank that became part of Jordan.

...I grew up hearing the description of my father's last visit to Jaffa, and it has left an indelible [permanent] impression on me. My father's entire holdings were in and around Jaffa, the products of his own hard work. His father had left him nothing. How difficult it must have been to bid all this farewell. The image of my father, his every step echoing in the empty streets of the deserted city, still haunts me... He moved on to the marketplace, empty except for a few shops that had somehow remained open. He walked passed Hinn's, his barbershop, and found it closed. The courthouse was closed, as were the clinics, the nurseries, the cafés, the cinema. The place was deserted, prepared to be captured. What have we done, he wondered. How could we have all left?

Source: Raja Shehadeh, *Strangers in the House: Coming of Age in Occupied Palestine*, Penguin Books

2. Based on this account by Raja Shehadeh, what was one impact on the city of Jaffa when the Palestinians left?

Document 5b

This excerpt describes the early days of the State of Israel in 1949 when many people, including the Jews from displaced camps in Europe, were migrating into and out of the region.

...At any rate, the return of the Arabs to their homes became increasingly difficult with the rise of another cataclysmic event—the mass influx of the Jews from all over the world. They had been coming, even in the midst of hostilities, at the rate of a thousand a day, in larger numbers than had been expected, and in much larger numbers than the country was ready to accommodate. The squeamishness of the Custodians of Abandoned (Arab) Property had to give way to the onrush of this deluge [flood of people] and the early comers and some of the old-timers helped themselves to whatever was left of the former Arab houses...

Source: M. Z. Frank, Introduction to "From the Four Corners of the Earth," *Sound the Great Trumpet*, Whittier Books

3. According to M. Z. Frank, what was one effect of the Jewish migration on Israel?

