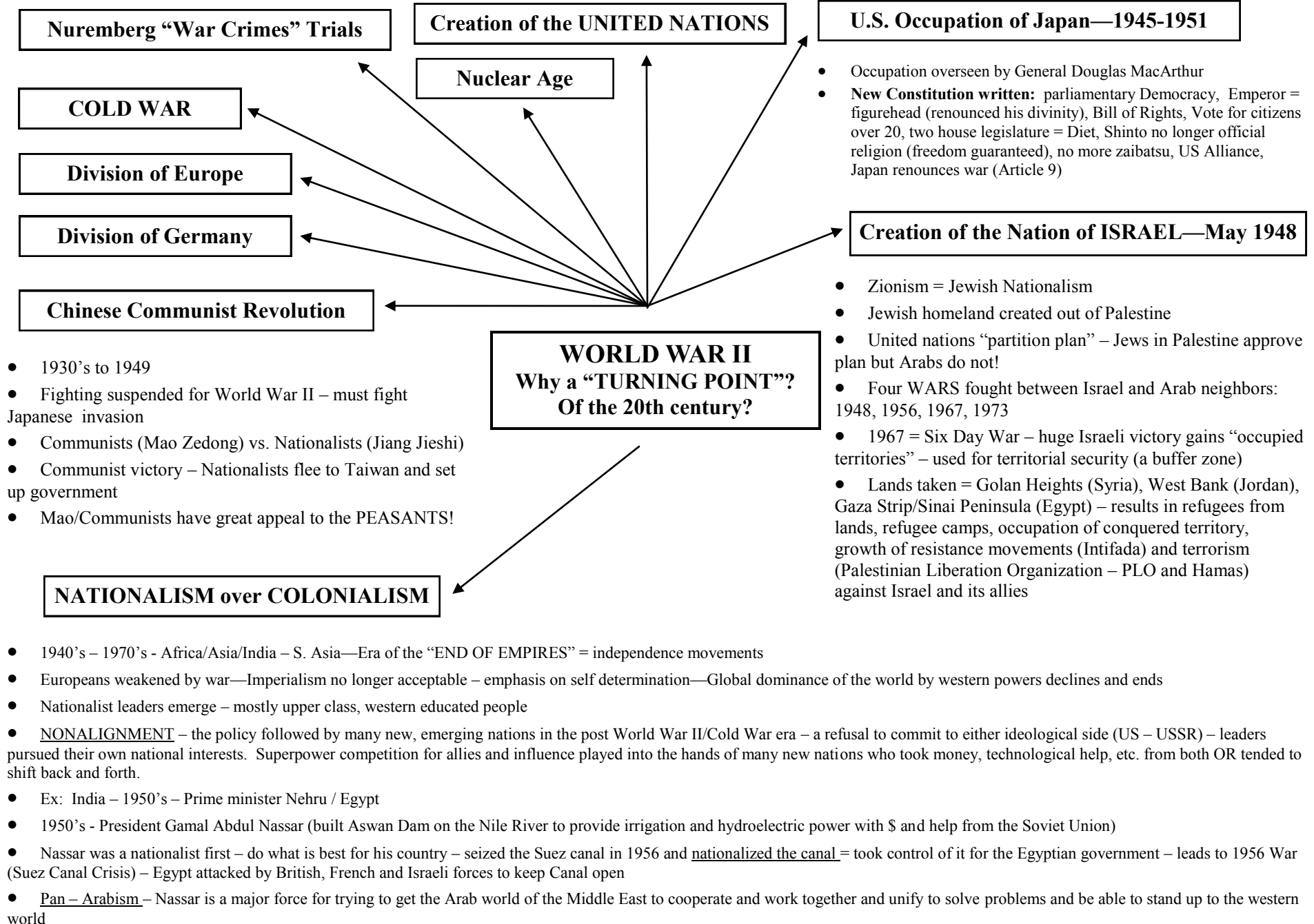


OVERVIEW OF THE POST WORLD WAR II WORLD



The Post World War II Era

Task: Use your textbook to develop notes that reflect the key items outlined below.

Use text pages “Neither Peace Nor War” 1055-1059 and Chapter 38 “The Bi-Polar World” 1064-1070, 1078-1079, and 1081-1084

I. Division of Europe

- **Iron Curtain**
- Why did communism ultimately prevail in the “liberated countries” of Eastern Europe?
- Make sure to identify and describe the political differences and influences that would effect Western and Eastern Europe after the war

II. Division of Germany

- Describe how Germany was divided after WW II?
- **Berlin blockade / Berlin Airlift**—identify not only what happened but Why it happened?
- **Berlin Wall**—How built? Why built?

III. COLD WAR

- **Yalta Conference**
- **Truman Doctrine**
- **Containment**
- **Marshall Plan**
- **NATO**
- **Warsaw Pact**
- **Non-alignment**
- **Korean War**—Identify 5 important facts that represent why this event was a Cold war conflict
- **Cuban Revolution**—Why did Castro lead a revolution? What did the US do to react to this development? What did the Soviet Union and Castro do?
- **Cuban Missile Crisis**—Identify 5 important facts that represent why this event was a Cold war conflict
- **Vietnam**—Identify 5 important facts that represent why this event was a Cold war conflict
- **Afghanistan**—Identify 5 important facts that represent why this event was a Cold war conflict
- **Hungary (1956) / Prague Spring (1968)**—How do both of these events represent a challenge to Soviet authority? What were the results?
- **Détente**—Define. What were a few features of this time period? What things end the détente period of the 1970’s?