**Who’s Killing Who? A Viewer’s Guide to Israel**

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| **Early ManEarly Man**This generic “cave man” represents the first human settlers in Israel/Canaan/the Levant. Whoever they were. | Canaanite **Canaanite**What did ancient Canaanites look like? I don’t know, so this is based on ancient Sumerian art. | Ancient Egyptian **Egyptian**Canaan was located between two huge empires. Egypt controlled it sometimes, and… |
| Assyrian**Assyrian**….Assyria controlled it other times. | Israelite**Israelite**The “Children of Israel” conquered this region, according to bloody and violent Old Testament accounts. | Babylonian **Babylonian**Then the Baylonians destroyed their temple and took the Hebrews into exile. |
| Macedonian/Alexander **Macedonian/ Greek**Here comes Alexander the Great, conquering everything! | Greek **Greek/ Macedonian**No sooner did Alexander conquer everything, than his generals divided it up and fought with each other. | Ptolmaic **Ptolemaic**Greek descendants of Ptolemy, another of Alexander’s competing generals, ruled Egypt dressed like Egyptian god-kings. |
| Seleucid **Seleucid**More Greek-Macedonian legacies of Alexander. | Hebrew Priest **Hebrew Priest**This guy didn’t fight, he just ran the Second Temple re-established by Hebrews in Jerusalem after the Babylonian Exile. | Maccabee **Maccabee**Led by Judah “The Hammer” Maccabee, who fought the Seleucids, saved the Temple, and invented Channukah. Until… |

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| Roman**Roman**….the Romans destroyed the Second Temple and absorbed the region into the Roman Empire… | Byzantine **Byzantine**….which split into Eastern and Western Empires. The eastern part was called the Byzantine Empire. | Caliph **Arab Caliph**Speaking of cartoon, what did an Arab [Caliph](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caliph%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) look like? This was my best guess. |
| Crusader **Crusader**After Crusaders went a-killin’ in the name of Jesus Christ, they established [Crusader states](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crusader_states), most notably the [Kingdom of Jerusalem](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kingdom_of_Jerusalem). | Egyptian Mamluk **Mamluk of Egypt**They became a powerful military [caste](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caste) in various [Muslim](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim) societies… And apparently they controlled Palestine for a while. | Ottoman Turk **Ottoman Turk**No one went to battle looking like this. But big turbans, rich clothing and jewelry were worn among Ottoman Turkish elites. |
| Arab **Arab**A gross generalization of a generic 19-century “Arab”. | British **British**The British formed alliances with Arabs, then occupied Palestine. | Palestinian **Palestinian**The British occupied this guy’s land, only to leave it to a vast influx of…. |
| European Jew/Zionist **European Jew/Zionist**Desperate and traumatized survivors of European pogroms and death camps, Jewish Zionist settlers were ready to fight to the death for a place to call home, but… | **PLO/Hamas/ Hezbollah**Hezbollah…. so were the people that lived there. Various militarized resistance movements arose in response to Israel: The [Palestinian Liberation Organization](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palestinian_Liberation_Organization), [Hamas](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hamas), and [Hezbollah](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hezbollah). | State of Israel **State of Israel**Backed by “the West,” especially the US, they got lots of weapons and the only sanctioned nukes in the region. |
| Guerrilla/Freedom Fighter/Terrorist**Guerrilla/FreedomFighter/Terrorist**Sometimes people fight in military uniforms, sometimes they don’t. Creeping up alongside are illicit nukes possibly from [Iran](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nuclear_program_of_Iran) or elsewhere in the region. [Who’s Next?](http://youtu.be/oRLON3ddZIw?t=50s) | Angel of Death **The Angel of Death** | **What will happen next?** |