Middle East Final Journal Entries 4/1/11

Reflections on your learning:

Use these questions to focus your writing

- 1. How do you feel about your learning this cycle? What did you learn and how did you learn it?
- 2. How do you feel about the quality of your work this cycle? How did you deal with self-discipline and motivation? Are there any lessons to be learned for the future?
- 3. What aspects of the course had the greatest effects on your learning, either positively or negatively?
- 4. What, if anything, did this course teach you about war and peace, about the relationship of culture to history and history to culture, and about your own role as a student of history?

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Reflections on your character:

- * What did you learn about your character's motivations, principles and behaviors as a politician and leader?
- * Did you come to respect your character? Explain
- * Did you find yourself moving closer or farther from your character's positions on the issues over the cycle? Explain
- * How do you think your research and character influenced your own position on major issues in the Middle East such as the Arab Israeli conflict, the War on Terrorism, and Islamic Fundamentalism.

Prepare a short presentation for the class in which you summarize your insights about your character and how playing that role influenced your own personal opinions.

Briefly explain <u>your</u> (not your characters) personal position on at least two of the following:

- * a just solution to the Arab/Israeli conflict
- * the U.S. wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and our military role in Libya
- * democracy and human rights in the Middle East
- * the appropriate role of Western culture in the Muslim World