



Task Force: Conference for Combatting Conflicts

Congratulations! You have been extended an invitation to an international conference aimed at better understanding conflicts around the world and finding potential solutions for them.

Why Are We Doing This? Around the world, there are areas with conflict that seem to last for years without any sign of resolution. Some well-known examples include Israel/Palestine, India/Pakistan, and the South China Sea. Here, we ask you to imagine you are invited to a conference with leaders and public figures around the world to try and find potential solutions for these decade long conflicts.

Steps:

1. Research information about a conflict of your choice that you would like to try and solve.
2. Then, try to come up with ideas on what has been done in the past to resolve the conflict and what steps YOU believe need to be taken to better handle the situation.
 - a. What conflict have you chosen?
 - b. How long has this conflict been occurring?
 - c. What parties are involved and why?
 - d. What solutions have been proposed or implemented to resolve this conflict? Why were they unsuccessful?
 - e. What is your proposed solution?
 - i. How is it different from solutions attempted in the past?
 - ii. How does your solution consider both sides of the conflict?



3. Think through the possible objections that someone could have about your solutions and how you would answer them.
4. Share with the group and see if you can convince them that your solutions have the potential to solve this ongoing conflict.

Things to Keep in Mind:

- You don't have to worry about answering all possible objections, but you should have some defense of why you think your reasons are more important.
- Your plan should include things that could realistically be implemented.