

Speaking with your child about Palestine. Start here.

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- “You know how Europeans **colonized** the Americas and took this land away from the first people who lived here?”
 - Palestinians are Indigenous to Palestine. Just as you speak about the history and current struggles of Indigenous peoples here, you can speak about Palestinians and how they faced the exact same **violent land theft, displacement, and ethnic cleansing.**”
- “You know how immigrants and **refugees** should be welcome and taken care of? Well, Palestinians aren’t immigrants..”
 - But since the colonization of Palestine in 1948, 80% of the Indigenous population was violently expelled from their homes. Today, the 8 million Palestinian refugees that live around the world are unable to **return and live freely in their homeland.**”
- “When we talk about how it’s **wrong for police to hurt and kill** people just because they’re Black, it’s just how the police and army hurt Palestinians for being Palestinian.”
 - You can learn about the long history of military brutality that Israel “battle tests” on Palestinians. Then learn how they invite U.S. police [including Chicago Police!] to learn about these violent tactics in free trips to Israel, **that are then used on Black Americans here.**
- “Remember when some people in this country wanted to **separate families** and put children in cages?”
 - If you talked to your child about U.S.’s treatment of immigrant families and its policy of separating and mistreating young children, you can talk about the ways the Israeli government has arrested and detained 700 Palestinian children each year for being Palestinian.
- “Just like some people wanted to **build a wall** in the U.S. to keep families away, there already is a wall in Palestine that hurts Palestinians.”
 - In fact, the Israeli apartheid wall has been there for 21 years and is intended to divide the West Bank in Palestine. It cuts right through Palestinian towns, forcing the native population to spend hours commuting mere miles through dehumanizing checkpoints. READ MORE POINTS ON **ORIGINAL POST**

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