Activity Two: The Ties That Bind

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

In the Middle East, ethnicity, religion, and citizenship are three very important ideas that people use to identify themselves. How was this illustrated in the two profiles your group examined? How did each individual's attitudes about their ethnicity, religion, and citizenship impact their feelings of nationalism? Which of Nasser's three circles would be most important to each individual, and why? How do the issues of ethnicity, religion, and citizenship cause nationalism in the Middle East to be a "double-edged sword"?

Individual Report Evaluation Criteria

Your report should:

- Clearly explain how ethnicity, religion, and citizenship affected the identities of both individuals discussed.
- Describe how attitudes about ethnicity, religion, and citizenship impacted each individual's feelings of nationalism.
- Describe how attitudes about ethnicity, religion, and citizenship impacted each individual's life in at least 2 positive and 2 negative ways.
- Explain which of Nasser's three circles each individual would most identify with, and why.
- Explain how the issues of ethnicity, religion, and citizenship cause nationalism in the Middle East to be a "double-edged sword".

Nationalism: The "Double-edged Sword

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