**“What’s the Cost of Water? IDM Task 4**

**Summarize Current Events regarding Middle Eastern Water**

Article #1 – Desalination in Saudi Arabia

Who?

What?

When?

Where?

Why?

[Click to watch desalination video](https://youtu.be/JlwVG8IgHAo)

As you write your summary, consider…

* What is desalination? Why would you need the process?
* How expensive is the process of desalination?
* Does Saudi Arabia appear wealthy (because they can afford this process)?
* Would all countries be able to afford this process?

Article #2 – Israel and Jordan Negotiate over Water

Who?

What?

When?

Where?

Why?

[Click to watch water wars video](https://youtu.be/7RZu4tTp_0U)

As you summarize, consider…

* Why do Israel and Jordan *need* to equally share the Jordan River and Dead Sea?
* How have the two countries decided to split up the resource?
* What are some things that would likely happen if the two countries did *not* compromise on water resources?

Article #3 – Conflict over Water: Damming of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers

Who?

What?

When?

Where?

Why?

[Click to watch the video on damming of rivers](https://youtu.be/hN3Nqb4Oke8)

As you summarize, consider…

* Is there enough water for all of the countries (and ISIS) to share?
* What are some reasons countries (and I.S.I.S.) are fighting over water?
* What are some consequences of these conflicts?