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SOPHMORES LEARN ABOUT FAMOUS ISRAELI POLITICIANS

Tenth grade Hebrew classes are learning about famous Israeli politicians that helped shape the vision of the young country. They read an article about Abba Eban and discussed his great contribution to the creation of the State of Israel. They watched a segment from The Charlie Rose show of an interview with Abba Eban and summarized the interview in writing and reported on it orally in Hebrew.

They read an article about the first prime minister woman: Golda Meir, the only female leader to ever take office in the Middle East, and discussed her various roles in the political arena in Israel.

They conducted research about her part in the development of Israel and discussed some of her famous sayings including “We can forgive the Arabs for killing our children. We cannot forgive them for forcing us to kill their children. We will only have peace with the Arabs when they love their children more than they hate us.”

“We do not rejoice in victories. We rejoice when a new kind of cotton is grown and when strawberries bloom in Israel.”

“It is true we have won all our wars, but we have paid for them. We don’t want victories anymore.”

The Students then watched an interview with Golda Meir and summarized it in writing and presented to class. They also watched a video of how artist Hanoach Piven portrayed Golda Meir and discuss the symbolism of the items he used for the portrait he created of her.

