

## **Palestine: The Struggle Against Oppression**

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Participants at the Winter School became more informed about the differences between Israel the ancient people who were a nation and Israel the country, today. This was through a talk delivered by comrade Sonny, also known as the 'Solar guy', due to his expertise in solar panel systems and know-how.

Palestinian people share a deep history with South Africa. Palestine is an ancient land, known for its connection to Canaan. For many years, Palestinians have lived under apartheid, and even today, they still suffer under an oppressive system.

Palestinian land was invaded by powerful white capitalists from America and Europe. These countries, with their wealth and strong weapons, took control of Palestine for their own benefit.

Innocent people in Gaza live in dangerous conditions. They lack proper medical care and food supplies. Their supply boats were bombed to stop aid from reaching them. Trade with other countries was blocked, leaving Palestinians without essential goods.

Jewish settlers are not originally from Palestine. They came from America and Europe, taking Palestinian land by force.

Gaza is rich in natural gas, but powerful nations like America and Europe take its wealth for themselves. Palestinians do not benefit from their own resources.

The world must stand in solidarity with Palestinians. They deserve freedom and the right to live in their own land without oppression. It is time to support their struggle and help them reclaim their country.

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