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Masters of the Narrative: Culture and Power in GlobalMedia's Take on Palestine-Israel Conflict

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## Abstract

*This study explores how major international media outlets construct and deliver narratives, focusing on Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN. Drawing on Edward Said's "Orientalism," the study aims to uncover the cultural nuances and power relations inherent in the depiction of this long-running geopolitical conflict. Objectives: Examine Cultural Narratives: Analyze how cultural narratives are constructed and communicated by Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN in their coverage of the Palestine-Israel conflict. Uncover Power Dynamics: Investigate the manifestations of power relations in the editorial decisions and narrative framing of these global media giants. Evaluate Narrative Mastery: Assess the extent to which cultural biases and power dynamics influence the editorial stances of Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN in the context of the conflict. Methodology: Utilizing a qualitative*

*content analysis approach, the study will examine a diverse sample of articles, videos, and social media content from the selected outlets. Thematic analysis will be applied to identify recurring cultural themes and power dynamics, allowing for comparative examination across the media landscape. Key Results: Anticipated findings include insights into how each outlet skillfully constructs cultural narratives, understandings of the power dynamics that influence editorial decisions, and explorations of how user engagement increasingly shapes the narrative landscape. By uncovering the complex dynamics of media influence, this study contributes to a nuanced understanding of the complex interplay between culture and power in global media representations of the Palestine-Israel conflict.*

## ABSTRAK

Studi ini mengeksplorasi bagaimana media internasional utama membuat dan menyampaikan narasi, dengan fokus pada Al Jazeera, BBC, dan CNN. Berdasarkan pada "Orientalisme" Edward Said, penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengungkap nuansa budaya dan hubungan kekuasaan yang melekat dalam penggambaran konflik geopolitik yang sudah berlangsung lama ini. Tujuan: Memeriksa Narasi Budaya: Menganalisis bagaimana narasi budaya dibangun dan dikomunikasikan oleh Al Jazeera, BBC, dan CNN dalam liputan mereka tentang konflik Palestina-Israel. Temukan Dinamika Kekuasaan: Selidiki manifestasi hubungan kekuasaan dalam keputusan editorial dan pemingkiaan narasi

oleh raksasa media global ini. Mengevaluasi Penguasaan Naratif: Menilai sejauh mana bias budaya dan dinamika kekuasaan mempengaruhi sikap editorial Al Jazeera, BBC, dan CNN dalam konteks konflik. Metodologi: Memanfaatkan pendekatan analisis konten kualitatif, penelitian ini akan meneliti beragam sampel artikel, video, dan konten media sosial dari outlet yang dipilih. Analisis tematik akan diterapkan untuk mengidentifikasi tema budaya berulang dan dinamika kekuasaan, memungkinkan untuk pemeriksaan komparatif di seluruh lanskap media. Hasil Utama: Temuan yang

diantisipasi mencakup wawasan tentang bagaimana setiap outlet dengan mahir membangun narasi budaya, pemahaman tentang dinamika kekuasaan yang memengaruhi keputusan editorial, dan eksplorasi tentang bagaimana keterlibatan pengguna semakin membentuk lanskap naratif. Dengan mengungkap dinamika pengaruh media yang rumit, studi ini berkontribusi pada pemahaman yang bernuansa interaksi kompleks antara budaya dan kekuasaan dalam representasi media global tentang konflik Palestina-Israel.

## INTRODUCTION

An extraordinary event unfolded in the tapestry of the Palestine-Israel conflict again, specifically on October 7, 2023, adding a captivating layer to its ongoing narrative and amplifying its resonance on the international stage. This momentous occurrence in Gaza, intricately woven into the fabric of the conflict, contributed to the dynamic nature of the region's tensions, marking a crucial and compelling focal point.

The Palestine-Israel conflict stands as a perennial focal point in global geopolitics, captivating the attention of the international community due to its protracted history and enduring impact on the Middle East. The multifaceted nature of this conflict, marked by complex historical, political, and cultural dimensions, underscores its significance in shaping global discourse. As a nexus of divergent narratives, the conflict not only reflects regional tensions but also mirrors broader geopolitical dynamics.

Table 1. History of events between Israel VS Palestine

Year	Major Events
1800s	Zionist movement begins, advocating for a Jewish homeland in Palestine
1917	Balfour Declaration pledges British support for a Jewish homeland in Palestine
1947	UN votes to partition Palestine into separate Jewish and Arab states
1948	Israel declares independence, sparking Arab Israeli War and displacement of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians
1967	Six-Day War results in Israel occupying West Bank, Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem
1987-1993	First Intifada, a Palestinian uprising against Israeli occupation
1993	Oslo Accords signed, establishing Palestinian Authority and framework for peace negotiations
2000	Second Intifada begins, marked by increased violence and suicide bombings
2005	Israel withdraws from Gaza Strip, but maintains control over borders and airspace
2006	Hamas wins Palestinian legislative elections, leading to political tensions and violence

2008-2009	Gaza War, a three-week conflict between Israel and Hamas
2014	Another Gaza War, lasting 50 days and resulting in thousands of deaths and widespread destruction
2021	Tensions escalate in Jerusalem, leading to clashes between Israeli police and Palestinian protesters. Hamas fires rockets into Israel, leading to another round of violence
<b>Year</b>	<b>Major Events</b>
2023	Hamas launched a land, sea, and air assault on Israel from the Gaza Strip. War of 2023

Source: Data processed by researchers, 2023

The crafting of narratives based on the table above for geopolitical conflicts wields unprecedented power, molding how the public perceives and discusses these issues. The existing literature on media framing of the Palestine-Israel conflict has primarily focused on traditional news coverage and social media, with a gap in understanding how traditional media organizations use new communication tools (Zahoor & Sadiq, 2021). Studies have also explored the impact of text framing on public understanding of the conflict (Kempf, 2006), the role of blame agency in media framing (Friedman, 2020), and the use of different frames by media outlets (Zanuddin\* & Almahallawi, 2018). However, there is a need for further research to bridge these gaps and provide a more comprehensive understanding of how media framing influences public perceptions of conflict.

This article delves into the intricate interplay between major international media outlets Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN, enduring narrative of the Palestine-Israel conflict. Within the complex tapestry of global media, the Palestine-Israel conflict remains a central focus, where narratives are not merely reported but crafted with profound implications. As the media landscape becomes an influential arbiter of global understanding, this study employs a qualitative content analysis approach to dissect articles, videos, and social media content. The thematic analysis applied aims to unravel recurring cultural motifs and power dynamics, offering insights into how each outlet crafts its narrative. By undertaking this exploration, the article aspires to contribute nuanced perspectives on the symbiotic relationship between culture and power, as manifested in the representation of the Palestine-Israel conflict across global media platforms.

Informed by Edward Said's influential theory of "Orientalism," this research seeks to unveil the multifaceted dynamics of cultural representation and power within the narratives presented by these media giants. While existing studies have scrutinized media coverage of the conflict, there exists a conspicuous gap in the nuanced examination of how cultural representation and power dynamics interweave within the narratives presented by major international media outlets, Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN. The critical lens provided by Edward Said's "Orientalism" theory becomes a guiding force, offering a unique vantage point to dissect historical biases and

potential colonial perspectives embedded in the narratives.

In charting new territory within media studies, by delving into the intricate dynamics of cultural and power influences within the narratives of major international media outlets; Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN during the ongoing Palestine-Israel conflict. Unlike previous studies, our initial approach focuses on unraveling the interwoven nature of cultural representation and power dynamics in media narratives, guided by Edward Said's "Orientalism" theory. Acknowledging a significant gap in existing scholarships, this study actively addresses the dearth of comprehensive analyses, employing a qualitative content analysis to offer fresh perspectives on how each media outlet contributes uniquely to discourse. By doing so, this research aims to provide a paradigm shift, contributing insights into the complex interplay between culture and power in shaping global narratives of this enduring geopolitical struggle.

To examine how major international media outlets, including Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN, construct narratives about the Palestine-Israel conflict, we focus on understanding the nuanced interplay between cultural representation and power dynamics. The study employs a qualitative content analysis approach, informed by Edward Said's "Orientalism" theory, to unravel recurring cultural motifs and power dynamics, aiming to contribute fresh insights into the shaping of global perspectives on this complex geopolitical issue.

## **CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK**

A range of studies have highlighted the media's role in shaping perceptions of the Israel-Palestine conflict. (Suwarno & Sahayu, 2020) undertake his research based on The Jakarta Post and The New York Times which have different sensitivities in media bias construction. Both mainstream media have similarities in favoring Palestine as the victim of the conflicts rather than Israel as a war criminal nation, but they have different sensitivities in constructing media bias. Besides (Shbair & Hasfi, 2022), (Ahmed et al., 2022) also found, Palestinians are portrayed negatively in the western newspapers, being depicted as fighters, suicide bombers, Islamic militants, kidnappers, and terrorists, reflecting their danger compared to the Israelis. Therefore, the similarity is both found that Western media often portrays Palestinians negatively, as fighters and terrorists.

On the other hand (Hakim et al., 2023) critiqued the focus on Jewish Israeli and Palestinian attitudes in experimental social psychology research. He found that, Power asymmetry was often acknowledged and then flattened via, for instance, adjacent mentions of Israeli and Palestinian physical violence. (Shbair & Hasfi, 2022) explored the role of Palestinian state media in

promoting patriotism, suggesting that media can influence public opinion and construct a sense of national identity. These studies collectively underscore the need for critical analysis of media representations and the power dynamics at play in the Israel-Palestine conflict.

However, (Shahzad et al., 2023) analyzed the coverage of the conflict in RT news, Al-Jazeera, CNN, and BBC News on behalf leading international broadcast media, examining slants and thematic frames with the help of content analysis. The findings reveal the different perspectives and frames used by each news channel in reporting on this complex and ongoing conflict. The key findings of the study on the framing of the Israel and Palestine conflict in RT news, Al-Jazeera, CNN, and BBC News revealed that RT and Al-Jazeera provided more coverage from a pro-Palestine perspective, emphasizing the human-interest frame. In contrast, BBC and CNN offered more pro-Israel coverage, focusing on the conflict frame. Additionally, the responsibility frame received more coverage on Al-Jazeera and RT, while the least coverage was observed on BBC and CNN for this frame.

Digital presence, on the other hand, also contributes a significant role. (Abushbak, Majeed, & Sinha, 2023) describes examples of the findings: Instagram is used by Palestinian and pro-Palestine activists to share visual content that reflects the reality of the conflict, despite facing digital censorship. Digital censorship on social media platforms, including Instagram, poses challenges for Palestinian activists, but they have employed strategies to bypass censorship and disseminate their experiences with the conflict.

The theoretical framework underpinning this research is primarily informed by Edward Said's influential theory of "Orientalism" (Said, 1978). Said's groundbreaking work explores how Western societies have historically represented and constructed the East (or the "Orient") in a way that serves the interests of the West (Elmenfi, 2022). Said's theory of Orientalism, which highlights the Western construction of the East to serve its own interests, is evident in various forms of media, including British television adverts (Bowman, 2020). This theory has been influential in shaping the understanding of the East and the West, particularly in the context of imperialism and colonialism (Elmenfi, 2022). The impact of Orientalism is further explored in the historiography of Orientalists, who have historically portrayed the East as uncivilized and underdeveloped (Akbar, 2020)(Akbar, 2020). Said's work also emphasizes the concept of the 'Other', where the West creates a distorted image of the East as a contrast to its own idealized self (Mohrem, 2020).

In the context of the Palestine-Israel conflict, the application of Orientalism theory becomes particularly pertinent as it allows for an examination of how major international media outlets;

Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN, engage in the construction of narratives that may embed historical biases and potential colonial perspectives. Orientalism as a guiding force to dissect the intricate dynamics of cultural representation and power within the narratives presented by these media giants. By drawing upon Said's critical lens, the research seeks to unveil how cultural motifs and power dynamics interweave within media narratives. This theoretical framework is pivotal in highlighting the potential influence in media representations of the Palestine-Israel conflict.

## **METHODOLOGY**

In this study, a qualitative content analysis methodology is employed to delve into the narratives presented by major international media outlets; Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN, regarding the Palestine-Israel conflict. This approach is chosen for its suitability in examining textual, visual, and auditory content across articles, videos, and social media platforms, providing a comprehensive understanding of the media's representation of conflict. The data collection process involves systematically collecting and organizing a diverse sample of media content from the selected outlets, ensuring a representative coverage of time periods and events related to the ongoing conflict.

To maintain rigor and consistency, a predefined set of criteria is established for content inclusion, encompassing relevance to the conflict, publication date, and medium. The qualitative analysis is guided by the thematic coding framework, allowing for the identification and categorization of recurring cultural motifs and power dynamics within the narratives. The thematic analysis is informed by Edward Said's theory of Orientalism, providing a theoretical lens to discern historical biases and colonial perspectives embedded in the media narratives.

The coding process is carried out iteratively, with researchers conducting independent analyses and periodically coming together for discussions to ensure inter-coder reliability. Coding categories are refined and expanded as patterns emerge, and discrepancies are resolved through consensus. This iterative approach enhances the study's methodological rigor and contributes to the robustness of the findings.

The study also acknowledges the reflexive nature of qualitative research, recognizing the potential influence of researchers' perspectives on the analysis. To mitigate bias, reflexivity is integrated into the research process through regular self-reflection and discussion among the research team. Additionally, the study engages in member checking, involving participants or experts in the field to review and validate the findings, enhancing the study's credibility.

Overall, the qualitative content analysis methodology, underpinned by a thematic coding

framework informed by Said's Orientalism, allows for a nuanced exploration of how cultural representation and power dynamics interweave within media narratives. This comprehensive approach aims to contribute novel insights into the shaping of global perspectives on the Palestine-Israel conflict by major international media outlets.

## FINDINGS & DISCUSSION

### A. Construct narratives about the Palestine-Israel conflict

According to the data that has been collected during Palestine-Israel conflict since 7 October 2023, there are differences of narratives that has been constructed by Al Jazeera, CNN and BBC. The main ideas presented by the three media giants (Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN) when discussing the Israel-Palestine conflict. Please look at these table of comparative between those three media

Table 2. Narrative on the news articles from Al Jazeera

AL-JAZEERA		
No	Narrative	Coding sheet
1.	The historical context of the conflict	It obligated the British government to "assist in the establishment of a national home for the Jewish people in Palestine" and to facilitate "the attainment of this objective." The Balfour Declaration is the name of the correspondence. (Linah Alsaafin, 2023)
2.	The issue of Israeli settlements in the West Bank	Rather than concluding its occupation, it intensified its colonisation initiative in the occupied Palestinian territories. It has increased the number of illegal Jewish settlements and settlers on stolen Palestinian lands and connected them through special bypass highways and other planning projects, resulting in a dual system that is superior and dominating for the Jews and inferior for the Palestinians. (Bishara, 2023)
3.	The impact of the conflict on Palestinian civilians	The Indonesian Hospital's administrative office, power generators, and primary gates have been struck by Israeli forces, according to the Health Ministry. Approximately 200 individuals are currently confined within the hospital and are unable to exit.  The Health Ministry says that an Israeli attack on the Abu Hussein school in the Jabalia refugee camp killed at least 27 people. The school is run by the UN. (23/11/2023)(Joseph Stepansky and Farah Najjar, 2023)

Source: Data collected by researchers, 2023

Based on the narratives of each tension that constructed by Al Jazeera, the coverage emphasizes the impact of the conflict on Palestinian civilians, highlighting the human cost of the violence and the historical context of the conflict. The coverage also addresses the issue of Israeli settlements in the West Bank and the challenges faced by Palestinians in their quest for statehood. Now please look at the other side, on the CNN narratives about the conflict.

Table 3. Narrative on the news articles from CNN

CNN		
No.	Narrative	Coding sheet
1.	Power Dynamics and Geopolitical implications	Benjamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister of Israel, has dismissed allegations that Israel is perpetrating war crimes in Gaza as "hogwash." On Sunday, he stated to NBC News, "We are doing everything in our power to target the terrorists, and the civilians are sometimes what are called collateral damage, as happens in every legitimate war." (Kathleen Magramo, Adam Renton, Christian Edwards, Ed Upright, Aditi Sangal, Alisha Ebrahimji, Elise Hammond, Kaanita Iyer, Zoe Sottile and Tori B. Powell, 2023)
2.	Statements from Israeli and pro-Israeli demonstrators	"We Jews would like not to feel isolated. Rabbi Adam Roffman of Dallas's CongregatAfter a very trying and emotionally draining month, it is uplifting and heartening to be among Jews and Israeli supporters who share our concern for our Israeli brothers and sisters and for Israel's continued vitality as a home for the Jewish people". "I am 70 years old. I have to be able to tell my grandchildren that I did not sit still; that I spoke up when this genocide occurred. "That is what I need them to know." (Sottile et al., 2023)
3.	Israel as a state under threat and the need for support and solidarity	The conflict is governed by a multifaceted system of international law that was established following World War II. This system endeavours to strike a balance between the military needs of states and humanitarian concerns. (Michael Rios, 2023)

Source: Data collected by researchers, 2023

CNN's coverage appears to focus on power dynamics and geopolitical implications. The excerpts mention statements from Israeli and pro-Israeli demonstrators reflecting the

perspective of Israel as a state under threat and the need for support and solidarity. This framing contributes to the narrative of Israel as a powerful and vulnerable state, navigating complex security challenges and seeking international backing.

Table 4. Narrative on the news articles from BBC

BBC		
No.	Narrative	Coding sheet
1	Provides a balanced perspective on the conflict	<p>Hamas justified its assault as a response to Israeli crimes against the Palestinian people. These encompass Jewish settlement activity in the occupied West Bank and security assaults on the al-Aqsa Mosque, the third holiest site of Islam, in occupied East Jerusalem.</p> <p>Meanwhile, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu declared that Israel's objective is to eliminate Hamas and retrieve the hostages. (BBC, 2024)</p>
2	The BBC refrains from labelling Hamas militants as 'terrorists'.	<p>People use the word "terrorism" to describe groups that they think are morally wrong. It's not the BBC's job to tell people who to cheer for and who to hate, or who the good guys and bad guys are.</p> <p>We often say that the British government and other countries have called Hamas a terrorist group, but that's their business. We also talk to guests and present quotes from writers who call Hamas terrorists. The most important thing is that we don't say it out loud. We give people the facts and let them decide for themselves. (John Simpson, 2023)</p>
3	Reporting updates on military operations, casualties, and international responses to the conflict	<p>Israel has had one of the best militaries and intelligence systems in the world for a long time. It is the best in the Middle East. But they might not have known how strong their opponents were either.</p> <p>People have said that the attacks are like 9/11 in the US, when no one thought that planes could be used as weapons. That was called a "failure of imagination" over and over again. (Gordon Corera, 2023)</p>

Source: Data processed by researchers, 2023

On the other hand, if we look at the table below, these are the narratives constructed by The BBC's coverage which provides a balanced perspective on the conflict, reporting on the actions and statements of both Israeli and Palestinian leaders. The coverage also includes updates on military operations, casualties, and international responses to the conflict.

These media outlets provide a range of viewpoints on the Israel-Palestine conflict, showcasing the intricate and subtle aspects of the continuing issue. Al Jazeera's coverage prioritizes the human toll of the fight and the historical background of the conflict, whilst the BBC offers an impartial viewpoint on the actions and comments of both parties involved. CNN's coverage

centers on the intensification of aggression and the consequences of Palestinian militant assaults on Israeli land, emphasizing the Israeli viewpoint on the conflict.

The diversity in media coverage is a result of the intricate nature of the dispute and the varying viewpoints and agendas of the relevant media organizations. Additionally, it underscores the significance of critical media literacy, since it is crucial for audiences to be capable of assessing and contrasting various sources of information to get a comprehensive comprehension of the conflict.

Furthermore, the way in which the media presents conflict can greatly influence the views held by the public and the decisions made by policymakers. Hence, it is crucial for media organizations to prioritize precision, equilibrium, and objectivity in their reporting of the conflict, while consumers should actively employ critical evaluation of the information provided to them.

### **B. The lens of cultural motifs and power dynamics**

In terms of contributing fresh insights into shaping global perspectives, these media sources offer contrasting narratives that reflect the multifaceted nature of the conflict. By highlighting cultural motifs and power dynamics, they provide a nuanced understanding of the Israel-Palestine conflict, offering diverse perspectives that can inform global discourse and foster a more comprehensive understanding of the complexities involved. Overall, the framing of the conflict through cultural motifs and power dynamics by these media sources contributes to a more holistic understanding of the Israel-Palestine conflict, offering fresh insights that can shape global perspectives and foster informed discussions on this complex geopolitical issue.

**Table 5. Results Analysis about Cultural motifs and Power Dynamics**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Nuanced of Disputes</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
1.	Territorial disputes	The conflict is rooted in competing claims to the same land. Both Israelis and Palestinians claim historical and religious ties to the land, and the question of who has the right to control it remains a major point of contention
<b>No.</b>	<b>Nuanced of Disputes</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
2.	Israeli settlements	Israel has built settlements in the West Bank and East Jerusalem, which are considered illegal under international law. Palestinians see these settlements as a major obstacle to peace, as they make it difficult to establish a viable Palestinian state
3.	Palestinian statehood	Palestinians seek an independent state in the West Bank, Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem, but Israel has been reluctant to support this due to security concerns and the status of Jerusalem

4.	Security concerns	Israel cites security concerns as a major reason for its actions, including the construction of a separation barrier and military operations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Palestinians argue that these actions are oppressive and violate their human rights
5.	Religious and cultural differences	The conflict is also fueled by religious and cultural differences between Israelis and Palestinians. Jerusalem is a holy city for Jews, Christians, and Muslims, and control over its holy sites is a major point of contention
6.	Political divisions	The Palestinian leadership is divided between the Palestinian Authority, which governs the West Bank, and Hamas, which governs the Gaza Strip. This division has made it difficult to negotiate a unified approach to peace talks

Source: Data processed by researchers from Al Jazeera, CNN & BBC, 2023

Based on the provided excerpts, it is evident that the media sources are framing the Israel-Palestine conflict through the lens of cultural motifs and power dynamics, aiming to contribute fresh insights into the shaping of global perspectives on this complex geopolitical issue. Al Jazeera, for example, presents a narrative that emphasizes the cultural motifs of historical injustice and resistance. The articles highlight the Palestinian experience of displacement, the impact of Israeli settlements, and the use of cultural expression as a form of resistance and empowerment.

This framing serves to challenge power dynamics by amplifying the voices of Palestinians and shedding light on their struggle for self-determination and cultural preservation. The media sources under examination offer a multifaceted portrayal of the Israel-Palestine conflict, presenting contrasting narratives that reflect the complexities of the issue. By delving into the cultural motifs and power dynamics at play, these sources provide a nuanced understanding of the conflict, offering diverse perspectives that can inform global discourse and foster a more comprehensive comprehension of the complexities involved. One of the key contributions of these media sources is their ability to highlight the cultural aspects of conflict. By examining the cultural motifs that underpin the conflict, these sources provide a deeper understanding of the historical and social contexts that have shaped the issue. This nuanced approach allows for a more empathetic understanding of the perspectives of all parties involved, encouraging a more nuanced and informed discussion of the conflict.

Furthermore, the media sources' focus on power dynamics adds another layer of depth to their analysis. By examining the power imbalances and structural inequalities that underpin the conflict, these sources provide a more comprehensive understanding of the complexities involved. This approach highlights the ways in which power dynamics can shape the narratives and perspectives of different parties and encourages a more critical examination of the

underlying structures that contribute to the conflict.

The cumulative effect of these media sources' contributions is a more holistic understanding of the Israel-Palestine conflict. By presenting diverse perspectives and nuanced analyses, these sources offer fresh insights that can shape global perspectives and foster informed discussions on this complex geopolitical issue. By encouraging a more empathetic and critical understanding of the conflict, these media sources can play a vital role in promoting a more peaceful and sustainable resolution to the issue.

## **CONCLUSION**

In conclusion, the Israel-Palestine conflict is depicted through varied lenses by major media outlets such as Al Jazeera, BBC, and CNN. Al Jazeera's emphasis on the human cost and historical context, BBC's commitment to balance, and CNN's focus on violence escalation present a spectrum of perspectives. This diversity highlights the need for media literacy, allowing audiences to critically evaluate different sources for a comprehensive understanding. The media's framing of the conflict is influential, shaping public opinion and policy decisions, underscoring the critical role of media outlets in fostering accurate, balanced, and impartial coverage.

## **LIMITATION AND STUDY FORWARD**

### **Lens of Cultural Motifs and Power Dynamics**

Examining the nuanced disputes within the Israel-Palestine conflict provides a deeper understanding of cultural motifs and power dynamics shaping the narrative. The territorial disputes rooted in historical and religious ties, Israeli settlements considered illegal under international law, Palestinian aspirations for statehood, security concerns leading to actions perceived as oppressive, religious and cultural differences, and political divisions present a complex web of interrelated factors. These dynamics underscore the intricate nature of the

conflict and its deep-rooted impact on the region.

### **Recommendation for Further Research**

Future research should explore how media framing influence's public opinion and policy decisions regarding the Israel-Palestine conflict. Investigating the ways in which different

narratives contribute to diverse global perspectives and impact decision-makers can yield valuable insights. Additionally, a comprehensive analysis of the effectiveness of media outlets in achieving accuracy, balance, and impartiality in their coverage is crucial. Understanding the role of media in shaping perceptions is paramount for fostering informed discussions and facilitating a nuanced understanding of this enduring geopolitical issue.

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