

# Terrorism

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- Terrorism is an unlawful act of violence that intimidates governments or societies but also seeks to achieve goals related to political, religious or ideological objectives

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### Characteristics of Terrorism

- Intention to cause death
- Intention to cause serious injury or damage
- Intention to cause fear
- Intention to cause political or religious change
- Intention to cause economic damage

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## September 11, 2001



- The Attacks**
  - 19 hijackers took two Boeing 767s and flew them into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and the Pennsylvania State University.
  - 2,977 people killed
- Aftermath**
  - 9/11 attacks led to the establishment of the Department of Homeland Security and the creation of the National Security Council's Counterterrorism Center.
  - The attacks led to the passage of the USA PATRIOT Act.
  - The attacks led to the invasion of Afghanistan and Iraq.

## Terrorism & the Middle East



### Key Groups

- Hamas
- Hezbollah
- Islamic State
- Al-Qaeda

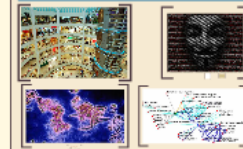
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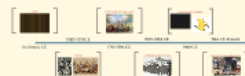
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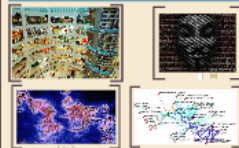
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### *Characteristics of Terrorism*

- Terrorism is an **ancient** tactic.
- Terrorism is a **mode of communication**.
- Terrorism is a special type of violence and **asymmetrical warfare**.
- Terrorism is used in times of **peace, conflicts and war**.
- Terrorism is designed to make a point, through **psychological** means, fear.
- Terrorism is a **political** act.

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# Front de libération du Québec



# *Palestinian Liberation Organization*

