World Areas Middle East
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Curriculum Plan

Unit I: Introduction
Lesson 1: "Is a study of the Middle East important?" "What are the perils of ignoring Middle East?"
Goal: To lead students to understand how important and relevant developing an understanding of the Middle East is to our lives.

Process:
- As homework, have students look through the headline section of the newspaper for 2-3 days and track the location of most news stories.
- Have students create a chart similar to the one below.
- Class will combine data and create either a bar graph, pie chart, or choropleth map illustrating the results. What is the significance of this information for our studies?

SOURCE	DATE	HEADLINE AND PAGE #	REGION	SUMMARY (1-2 SENTENCES)