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ENDURING

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ISSUE

continuing or long-lasting

A challenge or problem for debate or discussion

What is an Enduring Issue?

Task 1: Identify one enduring issue in your life, explain why it is an enduring issue, and explain why it is significant to you.

Enduring Issues are HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT. What is historical significance? We encounter enduring issues in our own lives and see evidence of enduring issues in the world around us. All of the enduring issues we observe are significant, or important, in one way or another. In Global History, we study those issues that have endured and are *historically significant*. To prove that something is historically significant one needs to show that it affected a lot of people and had long-lasting effects.

Something is **SIGNIFICANT** if it is **IMPORTANT**.

Something is **HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT** if it...

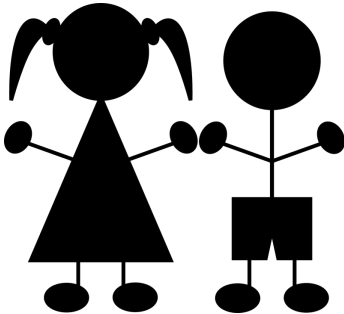
- affected **a lot** of people.
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Enduring Issue

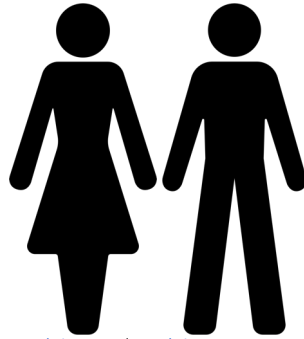
a challenge or problem that has been debated or discussed across time

We encounter enduring issues everyday and people have been dealing with them throughout history. They are enduring because they are difficult to solve and come up frequently. Examine the two examples below.

Enduring Issue: Zak and Sara do not like to share



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Zak and Sara are brother and sister. When they were kids, they hated sharing with one another. As a result, their parents bought them separate toys. If Zak got a toy truck and Sara wanted to use it, he would run away and hide it and Sara would complain to their parents until they bought her one of her own. Now, as adults, they still won't share. If Zak needs to borrow Sara's truck to help with some yard work, she refuses. If Sara needs a ride to the airport Zak won't take her.

Enduring Issues: War is used to Gain Power

Dates	Event
600-265 BCE	Greek-Punic Wars
475-221 BCE	Warring States Period in China
59-45 BCE	Caesar's Civil War in Rome
1223-1241	Mongol invasion of Europe
1792-1802	French Revolution
1798	Peasant's War
1914-1918	World War I
1939-1945	World War II
2015-present	War in Afghanistan

1. What makes Zak and Sara's inability to share an enduring issue?

2. What makes the use of war to gain power an enduring issue?

Based on the definition above, which one of these examples of enduring issues is historically significant? Zak and Sara's inability to share or the use of violence to gain power? Explain.