

Causes of Conflict

Name: _____ Hr. _____

Directions: Below are four scenarios, each of which describes a conflict between the nations of Feros and Citadelia. Read each scenario, then decide who is MOST to blame for starting the conflict. Assign both nations a percentage of the blame. Make sure to explain your reasoning.

Scenario 1 ACTUALLY: _____ CAUSE: _____

In Feros, no one owns the land and no one ever has. Everyone lives together in small communities, sharing what they have. Citadelia has property rights just like the United States. Feros and Citadelia sign a treaty giving Citadelians land rights. A Citidelian shoots a Ferosi, who thought everyone shared the land, for trespassing. Whose fault is this?

% Feros % Citadelia Why?

Scenario 2 ACTUALLY: _____ CAUSE: _____

The Citadelian president makes decisions for everyone. Feros has a leader, but families can choose not to follow their orders. Citadelia and Feros sign a treaty giving Citadelia parts of Ferosi territory, but some families refuse to move. The Citadelian Army attacks and imprisons those families. Whose fault is this?

% Feros % Citadelia Why?

Scenario 3 ACTUALLY: _____ CAUSE: _____

Feros and Citadelia sign a treaty that allows Citadelian settlers on Ferosi soil. However, many of the settlers are criminals or troublemakers. Many of them try to poison Ferosi citizens. One group of settlers beheads a Ferosi mayor and mails his skull back home. The Citadelian government refuses to take any action. In response, the Ferosi attacks the murderers and other settlers. Whose fault is this?

% Feros % Citadelia Why?

Scenario 4 ACTUALLY: _____ CAUSE: _____

Feros and Citadelia sign a treaty. Feros agrees to give Citadelia some of their land in exchange for a certain amount of food and supplies each year. This year, the Citadelians have been distracted by other things and have not made their food payment. The starving Ferosi plead for food, but none comes. The Ferosi finally attack Citadelians who were on their new land. Whose fault is this?

% Feros % Citadelia Why?