**Title***The Illegal Israeli Occupation of the West Bank and Apartheid*

**Introduction**

* Brief history of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict
* Importance of understanding the illegal occupation and its consequences
* Define key terms: occupation, apartheid, and international law

**Body**

**Historical Context of the Occupation**a. *1948 Arab-Israeli War and Creation of Israel*

* UN Partition Plan and its rejection by Arab states
* 1948 Nakba (displacement of Palestinians)

b. *1967 Six-Day War and Occupation of the West Bank*

* Israeli expansion post-1967
* The beginning of settlements in occupied territories

**Israeli Settlements in the West Bank**a. *International Law and Settlements*

* Violations of the Fourth Geneva Convention
* UN resolutions against settlement expansion

b. *Expansion of Settlements and its Impact on Palestinians*

* Forced displacement, land confiscation, and restricted access to resources
* Fragmentation of Palestinian territories and daily life restrictions

**Apartheid in the West Bank**a. *What is Apartheid?*

* Definition under international law (Rome Statute, Apartheid Convention)

b. *Apartheid Policies in the West Bank*

* Dual legal systems: Israeli settlers vs. Palestinians
* Restrictions on freedom of movement (checkpoints, road segregation)
* Discriminatory laws, resource control, and access to services

**Human Rights Violations and Resistance**a. *Human Rights Violations Against Palestinians*

* Use of excessive force, arbitrary detentions, and military trials
* The Gaza blockade and its humanitarian impact

b. *Palestinian Resistance and International Advocacy*

* BDS (Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions) movement
* Role of international organizations and human rights groups

**Analysis**

* How the occupation and apartheid practices violate international law
* The long-term socio-economic and political impacts on Palestinians
* The role of the international community in addressing or perpetuating the issue
* Possible solutions: Two-state vs. one-state solution, international intervention

**Conclusion**

* Recap of history, settlement expansion, apartheid practices, human rights violations
* The ongoing struggle for Palestinian self-determination and freedom
* Urgency of global accountability and peaceful resolution