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Hostages and Prisoners Freed With Gaza’s Path Unclear



A jubilant crowd at Hostages Square in Tel Aviv watched a broadcast of 20 Israelis being released from captivity on Monday, more than two years after Hamas seized them. “Our nightmare is finally over,” said Ilan Gilboa-Dalal, the father of Guy Gilboa-Dalal, 24.



Palestinian prisoners arrived at Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis, Gaza, after Israel freed them as part of an agreement with Hamas. About 600 humanitarian aid trucks operated by the U.N. will be allowed to enter the territory daily, an Israeli military official said.

Ecstatic Reunions Signal a Time for Healing

By ISABEL KERSHNER
JERUSALEM — Many of them had become household names, their faces familiar from posters all over the country: Israelis snatched two years ago from their homes in pastoral border villages, from a music festival rave and from army bases and then se- creted into Hamas’s tunnels deep under Gaza.
When they finally emerged on Monday as part of a cease-fire deal reached between Israel and Hamas, they were thinner, wan, but alive and on their feet. And Is- raelis basked in a joyous moment of unifying national redemption after months of agonizing, polariz- ing war.
The 20 living hostages who had remained in Gaza, along with the remains of 28 deceased ones, re- mained an open wound, with the fate of the hostages tearing at the country’s soul.
A majority of Israelis had long wanted Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to prioritize their re- lease with a deal to end the war, polls showed. But Mr. Netanyahu accused protesters of “hardening Hamas’s stance” while critics of the prime minister accused him, in turn, of prolonging the war to appease his far-right political al- lies on whose support he relies to stay in power.
Now, many Israelis said, with an open-ended cease-fire in place and all the living hostages back home, it was time for the country to heal.
“This is a momentous day, a day of great joy,” Mr. Netanyahu said in an address in the Knesset, or Is- raeli Parliament, on Monday alongside President Trump.
Quoting from the biblical Book of Ecclesiastes, which Jews tradi- tionally read this week, Mr. Netan- yahu said there was a time for war and a time for peace.
“The last two years have been a time of war,” he added. “The com- ing years will hopefully be a time for peace — peace inside Israel and peace outside Israel.”
People began packing Hostages Square in Tel Aviv early Monday morning to watch the release un- fold on giant screens. They lined the road, waving Israeli flags out- side the Re’im military base in southern Israel, the first stop for the returnees after they crossed into Israeli territory. And they ran onto balconies and rooftops to cheer as helicopters brought the former captives to hospitals.
The military released footage of emotional reunions between the hostages and their family mem- bers, as well as extraordinary en- counters among the former cap- tives themselves.
Gali and Ziv Berman, 28, twins
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Trump Sees New ‘Dawn’ Despite Skepticism

This article is by David M. Halb- finger, Isabel Kershner, Aaron Box- erman and Thomas Fuller.
After two years of mass car- nage and destruction, Israel and Hamas took major steps on Mon- day toward ending the war in Gaza, exchanging hostages for prisoners as President Trump ar- rived in the Middle East, basking in the adulation of world leaders who credited him for pushing through a plan for peace.
“This is the end of the age of ter- ror and death,” President Trump said in an address to the Knesset, Israel’s Parliament, where he re- ceived a standing ovation and re- peated, rapturous applause.
Mr. Trump proclaimed “the end of the war” in Gaza. And deploying a line presidents before him have reached for, Mr. Trump declared a new era for the region.



President Trump, with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanya- hu, addressed Israel’s Knesset.

“This is the historic dawn of a new Middle East,” he said.
By the end of the day, Hamas had freed 20 living hostages and Israel had released some 2,000 Palestinian prisoners, part of the 20-point peace plan announced by the Trump administration after weeks of cajoling and courting major players in the Middle East, and the mediation of Egypt, Qatar and Turkey.
The guns and artillery in Gaza were silent on Monday, and the bombings that have killed thou- sands of Gazans had ceased. And for the first time since the Oct. 7, 2023, attacks on Israel, Hamas no longer held living Israeli captives.
“Our nightmare is finally over. He’s almost here,” said Ilan Gilboa-Dalal, the father of Guy Gilboa-Dalal, 24, who was kid- napped from the Nova music festi- val.
“I’m going to tell him: ‘My son, the nightmare is over,’” Ilan said by
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For Young Men, Video Gaming Is a Social Play

**By CLAIRE CAIN MILLER
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In the last decade and a half, boys and young men ages 15 to 24 more than doubled their average time spent gaming to about 10 hours a week, according to a ma- jor survey.
Some teachers say gaming has disrupted focus in classrooms. Some economists have linked it to the decline in young men’s work hours. Many readers told us it was a chief reason for the recent strug- gles of boys and young men, when we started our series on the sub- ject in May.
Yet video games also serve an important role in young people’s lives. They have become a central way that young people socialize and provide them — especially boys — with a sense of belonging.
The increase in the time boys and young men spent playing games was the biggest of any ac- tivity measured by the American Time Use Survey, the large federal survey that each year asks a na- tionally representative sample of thousands of people what they did
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Ukraine Targets Russian Wallets Via Oil Attacks

By MARIA VARENIKOVA
Deep in the Ukrainian country- side, under a dome of stars, sol- diers carried out final inspections of drones, each with a 24-foot wingspan and 110 pounds of explo- sives, and launched them toward Russia.
The group’s commander watched through night-vision goggles as they faded into the darkness.
“In the morning, you will read that an oil refinery is on fire,” said the commander, identified by only his call sign, Casper, for security reasons.
Most nights since August, sol- diers like these have wheeled long-range drones into an ever- changing set of open fields and let them fly, targeting refineries and trying to inflict pain on Russia and its oil economy in ways that West- ern sanctions have not done so far. With Russia gaining ground on the battlefield, Ukrainians hope that this campaign, using weap- ons and tactics that did not even exist when Russia invaded in 2022, will help persuade President
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Sue Goldie Has Parkinson’s Disease

Health Expert’s Toughest Question: What’s Happening to Me?

By JOHN BRANCH
It starts with a tingle, a tremor, a sense that something is off.
Dr. Sue Goldie doesn’t recog- nize the symptoms at first. Maybe she ignores them, wishes them away.
It is 2021. She is 59, in the prime of a long teaching career at Har- vard. She has just immersed her- self in the sport of triathlon.
One coach notes something off with her running cadence. An- other wonders why her left arm isn’t fully lifting out of the water. A trainer sees a slight tremor. The first time Sue races, she feels a strange vibration, like an internal tremble.
Then Sue sees it herself: Twitching fingers on her left hand.
Tests reveal it is Parkinson’s, the incurable neurological disease that robs its victims of their motor skills, and sometimes their minds, one extinguished neuron at a time. Parkinson’s doesn’t always alter life spans, but it always up- ends lives.
The diagnosis elicits a storm of emotions, but also raises ques- tions, both pragmatic and deep, that have consumed Sue since.
At what point, if ever, do I have to say something? Who needs to know? What do I reveal and what do I conceal?
And, most profoundly: Does a diagnosis have to be an identity?
For nearly four years, she keeps her diagnosis from most Harvard administrators, col- leagues and students, worried about what it will do to her reputa- tion. She grows more comfortable revealing herself away from work,
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