Israel On-Line:

This is a list of sites to explore Israel across the political spectrum – and a great way to stay up-to-date and access a range of perspectives. It also has sites for learning Hebrew and travel opportunities. It was compiled by Mount Zion's Israel Committee. Look for future updates! Comments and questions? Contact Jessica Griffith iessica.p.griffith@gmail.com.

Reform Movement

- ARZA Association of Reform Zionists of America www.ARZA.org
 - o Includes "What is Reform Zionism?"
- Israel Religious Action Center, part of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism www.IRAC.org
 - o Includes real-time updates to issues in Israel that matter to Reform Jews.
- Union for Reform Judaism https://uri.org/israel-engagement
 - Includes latest press releases from the Reform Movement about Israel.

Books to Read

https://arzaworld.com/Pre-Post-Trip-Material/Israeli-Books-AW.pdf

Music

https://arzaworld.com/Pre-Post-Trip-Material/Israeli-Music-AW.pdf

Movies

https://arzaworld.com/Pre-Post-Trip-Material/Israeli-Movies-AW.pdf

News Media

Mainstream News-Sites:

- **Jpost.com -** Right-of-Center: <u>www.ipost.com</u>
- Times of Israel Centrist: https://www.timesofisrael.com/
- Ha'aretz (paywall) Left-of-Center: www.haaretz.com/
- Ynetnews Israel's most popular internet portal: www.Ynetnews.com

More In-Depth:

- +972 Magazine On the ground reporting and analysis in Israel and Palestine https://972mag.com/
- **The Daily Alert** Daily compendium prepared for the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations by the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs. www.dailvalert.org
- Israel 21c Non-profit educational foundation that focuses attention on the Israel that exists beyond the conflict. Excellent articles on Israel's humanitarian efforts. https://www.israel21c.org/
- Israel Policy Forum Works to shape discourse and mobilize support among American Jewish leaders and
 US policymakers for realizing viable two state solution consistent with Israel's security.
 https://israelpolicyforum.org/

Israel Government Site for Information

• Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs - http://www.mfa.gov.il/mfa/

Advocacy and Support Organizations

Local:

 Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas http://www.minndakjcrc.org/israel-advocacy.html

Local/National/International - Providing Support to Israelis:

- Federation of Greater St. Paul Funding our community's institutions and providing support to Israel programs and people https://www.iewishstpaul.org/
- New Israel Fund A fund dedicated to religious pluralism and civil rights in Israel www.nif.org

National - Defense Organizations:

- ADL Anti-Defamation League www.adl.org
- Students Supporting Israel Grassroots college chapters started in Minnesota to help students defend Israel. http://www.ssimovement.org/

National - Lobbying Groups:

- AIPAC American Israel Public Affairs Committee America's pro-Israel lobby (bi-partisan) www.AIPAC.org
- J-Street Advocating for a Two State Solution via lobbying Congress (pro-Israel; pro-peace) https://istreet.org/

National - Providing Information:

- **The Israel Project -** The Israel Project (TIP) is a non-profit educational organization that gets facts about Israel and the Middle East to press, public officials and the public. www.theisraelproject.org
- Stand With Us Pro-Israel advocacy on the Web http://www.standwithus.com
- Two State Solution with Detailed, Interactive Map of Settlements: https://www.washingtoninstitute.org/westbankinteractivemap/

National - Promoting a Vision for Israel:

- ON THE FAR RIGHT: ZOA Zionist Organization of America www.ZOA.org
- ON THE FURTHER RIGHT: One Jerusalem Advocates keeping Jerusalem united www.OneJerusalem.org
- ON THE FAR LEFT: IfNotNow http://ifnotnowmovement.org/
- ON THE FURTHER LEFT: Jewish Voice for Peace Seeks an end to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem; security and self- determination for Israelis and Palestinians; a just solution for Palestinian refugees; and peace and justice for all peoples of the Middle East. www.jewishvoiceforpeace.org

Israel - Human Rights / Co-Existence:

- The Parents Circle Bereaved families from both sides of the conflict who have lost family members on a
 joint reconciliation mission for peace. Representatives spoke at Mount Zion in 2013.
 www.theparentscircle.com
- Rabbis for Human Rights An organization of rabbis from all streams of Judaism that advocates for human rights in Israel and North America. https://rhr.org.il/eng/
- Jerusalem Institute for Justice Focuses on legal issues that keep Israel Jewish and democratic https://iji.org

Learning a little Hebrew:

- Learn Hebrew at the Speed of Light: Ulpan Or https://www.ulpanor.com/
- **Streetwise Hebrew -** Podcast that explores the modern Hebrew language. http://www.streetwisehebrew.com

Travel

- Reform Movement Travel ARZA World https://arzaworld.com/
- Go Israel Israel's official tourism site https://new.goisrael.com
- St. Paul Jewish Federation https://iewishstpaul.org/what-we-do/israeloverseas-programs
- Masa Israel Travel and work opportunities for young adults. http://www.masaisrael.org
- The Jewish Agency for Israel Travel and work opportunities for young adults.http://www.iewishagencv.org

Podcasts

- Israel in Translation Israeli literature.- https://tlv1.fm/podcasts/israel-in-translation-show/
- Kol Cambridge Israeli music, past and present. https://tlv1.fm/podcasts/kol-cambridge-show/
- Tel Aviv Review Public-radio style podcast about Middle Eastern and global affairs. https://tlv1.fm/podcasts/tel-aviv-review-show/
- The Promised Podcast Israeli politics, culture, and society. https://tlv1.fm/podcasts/the-promised-podcast-show/
- WhyWhyWhy Storytelling. https://tlv1.fm/why-why-why/