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Class

1. Students(M.E.) needed money
2. Students(W.C.) needed oil
3. Students made agreements not knowing where oil would be discovered

Middle East

1. M.E. countries were bankrupt in 19th C
2. Oil powered machines increased need for oil
3. M.E. and W.C. made concessions not knowing if oil would be discovered

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4. Students gave up all oil tokens after oil was discovered (R 1)
 5. Students signed 50/50 agreements(R2)
 6. Some students signed charter to sell oil at a fixed price
 7. Students paid more for oil in later rounds

4. Early concessions forced M.E. to give W.C all oil discovered
5. Arab nationalism led to better concessions for M.E.
6. OPEC(*Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries*) formed in 1960
7. Starting in 1970's W.C. pay higher prices for oil