



The Egyptian Revolution of 2011

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Before

The “President” of Egypt, Hosni Mubarak had been in power for three decades before the citizens of Egypt decided to take actions against him by protesting against poverty, unemployment, and government corruption.

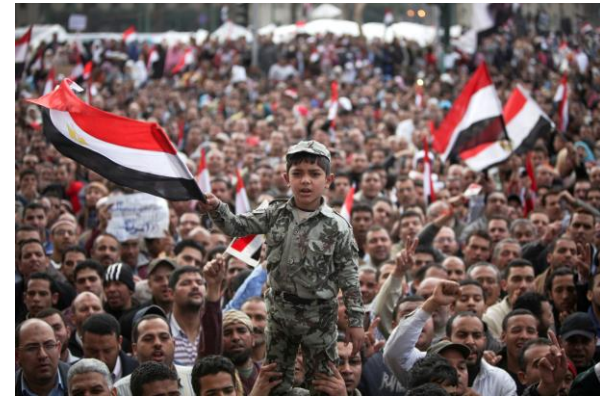




During:

Rallies in the Streets

On January 25th, a national holiday that was to recognize and show support for the police forces, activists rallied the citizens to take the streets in numbers of thousands to protest. The majority of the Egyptians were marching in downtown Cairo, but there were reports of many other protests similar to it in other towns.



During: Using Social Media

Social media outlets like Facebook and Twitter were largely relied on to make the rest of the world aware of the rebellion in Egypt. This is also how they organized protests, using social media to alert citizens in other towns and cities of rallies that may be happening.





During:

The Government Fought Back

As an attempt to control the protests in the streets of Egypt, police forces used tear gas, batons, and even water cannons. Thousands of people were arrested and some, including police officers, were killed. On top of that, internet access was shut down for the citizens which sparked a wider battle of freedom of speech and expression.

After



On February 11th, after tens of thousands of people gathered into the streets, Hosni Mubarak finally resigned and handed his presidential power over to the army. But unsure what to do with this power, the army forces temporarily suspended the constitution causing for there to still be protests and demands for immediate change.

Animal Farm:

How it Relates to the Egyptian Revolution

Napoleon's dogs that he trained to protect him and keep the other animals in line resembles the police force in the Egyptian Revolution of 2011. Hosni Mubarak almost never came out to speak to the public during protests and rallies, and always relied on the police to keep the citizens in line as much as possible.

