



✦ What comes to mind when you look at this picture?

✦ How do you think this picture relates to current global conflict in Afghanistan?

Women in Kabul

Women in the U.S.



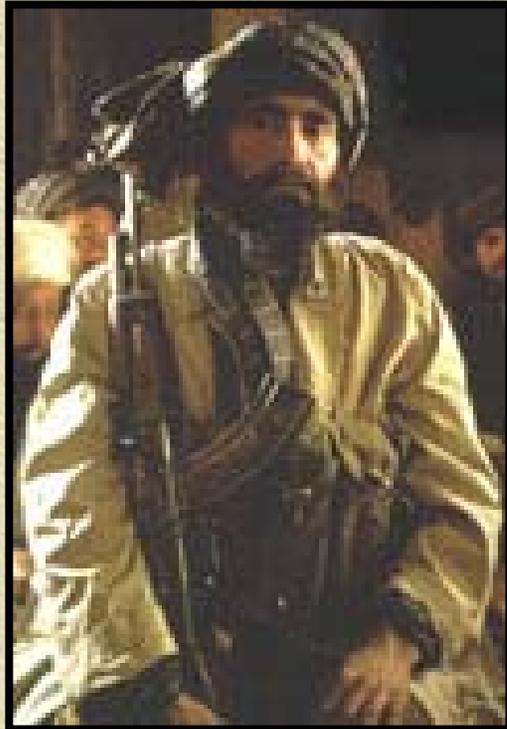


Review: History of Conflict/Taliban



- ✦ Afghanistan has been at war since 1978, when American backed fighters opposed the Soviet-backed Government.
- ✦ The Soviets left in 1989 and a civil war erupted.
- ✦ Millions became refugees.

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- ✦ The Taliban militia took over control of Kabul- 9/1996, "the Taliban enforced a strict Muslim code of behavior"
- ✦ Fall of 2001 – Taliban were driven from most of Afghanistan.

Conditions in Afghanistan Today



- ✦ Afghan women in some regions are affected by poverty and tradition in the post-Taliban nation
- ✦ Strict dress code is only enforced in certain areas of the country
- ✦ Arranged marriages – courting period
- ✦ Country is in a major transition.

Comments from an Expert Afghanistan

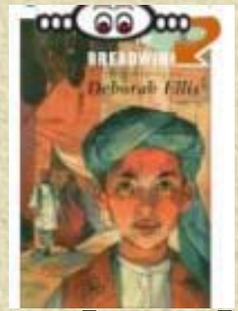
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✦ Questions

✦ Comments and
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The Breadwinner



✦ Discussion

- ✦ Since the Taliban took over Afghanistan, 11-year-old Parvana has rarely been outdoors. Barred from attending school, shopping at the market, or even playing in the streets of Kabul.
- ✦ Parvana father is taken by the Taliban. She becomes the “Breadwinner” of her family by disguising herself as a boy to support her mother, two sisters, and baby brother.

Think/Pair/Share Activity

Take 30 seconds to think of your answers to each of these questions.

Take another 30 seconds to explain your answers to your partner.

✦ How does Parvana's life differ from yours?

✦ What aspects of teenage life do you feel you would miss the most if you had to live her life?

Compare and Contrast Your Life with Parvana's



Life of Parvana in Kabul	Your life in the US

Who was she? Where is she now?

'Afghan Girl' Mystery Solved

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NPR [Morning Edition](#), March 13, 2002 · After 17 years of searching, photographer Steve McCurry located the subject of his most famous photo: the young Afghan girl whose green eyes stared out from the cover of *National Geographic*. Alex Chadwick has the story on [Morning Edition](#).

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