The Iran Deal

Background:

- The US supported the Shah
- Iran has shown anti-American sentiments (feelings)
- Iranian Hostage Crisis (Americans held captive in US embassy in Iran for 444 days)
- Iran and US → unfriendly history

Today:

- Obama admin. in talks w/ Iran to mend the relationship
- Obama: Wants to make a deal to end sanctions against Iran (enable trade)
 - o In exchange, Iran says it will end its pursuit of nuclear weapons
- Obama thinks this deal will prolong (put off) Iran's ability to make weapons
- Opponents (those against Obama) feel this will simply be funding Iran for acts of terror
 - o This will make peace in the Middle East less likely