

McGraw Hill World History Chapter 9: Islam and the Arab

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1. Allah	Arabic for God; the supreme god of Islam	22. Shia	a Muslim group that accepts only the descendants of Muhammad's son-in-law Ali as the true rulers of Islam
2. Arabesques	geometric patterns repeated over and over to completely cover a surface with decoration	23. Submission	act of submitting to the control or authority of another
3. Astrolabe	an instrument used by sailors to determine their location by observing the positions of the stars	24. Sultan	"holder of the power," the military and political head of state under the Seljuk Turks and the Ottomans
4. Bazaar	a covered market in Islamic cities	25. Sunni	a Muslim group that accepts only descendants of the Umayyads as the true rulers of Islam
5. Bedouin	a nomadic Arab who lives in the Arabian, Syrian, or North African deserts	26. Vizier	a high government official in ancient Egypt or in Muslim countries
6. Caliph	a successor of Muhammad as spiritual and temporal leader of the Muslims		
7. Caliphate	the office or dominion of a caliph		
8. Cosmopolitan	a place or area that contains several different cultures and groups		
9. Dowry	a gift of money or property paid at the time of marriage, either by the bride's parents to her husband or, in Islamic societies, by a husband to his wife		
10. Five Pillars of Islam	acts of worship every Muslim must perform; this includes belief, prayer, charity, fasting, and pilgrimage		
11. Hajj	a pilgrimage to Makkah, one of the requirements of the Five Pillars of Islam		
12. Hijrah	the journey of Muhammad and his followers to Madinah in 622, which became year 1 of the official calendar of Islam		
13. Islam	a monotheistic religion that emerged in the Arabian Peninsula during the seventh century		
14. Jihad	"struggle in the way of God", a Muslim's duty to work for the triumph of Islam in the world		
15. Minaret	the tower of a mosque from which the muezzin calls the faithful to prayer five times a day		
16. Muezzin	the crier who calls the Muslim faithful to prayer from the minaret of a mosque		
17. Muslim	a person who believes in Islam		
18. Quran	the holy scriptures of the religion of Islam		
19. Revelation	divine truth		
20. Shari'ah	a law code drawn up by Muslim scholars after Muhammad's death; it provided believers with a set of practical laws to regulate their daily lives		
21. Sheikh	the ruler of an Arabic tribe, chosen from one of the leading families by a council of elders		