

The Islamic World KUD

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • nomad people who move from place to place instead of settling permanently • oasis a desert area that contains water • clan families of people related by blood or marriage • Allah in Islam, the name of God • monotheism belief in a single God • pilgrimage a journey to a sacred place • Islam Monotheistic religion based on the teachings of Muhammad • Muslim Follower of Islam • Hijrah Muhammad's migration from Mecca to Yathrib (Medina) • Qur'an Muslim holy book, which is said to contain God's revelations to Muhammad • Sunnah Islamic guide for proper living, based on the words and deeds of Muhammad • mosque Building used for Muslim worship • caliph the highest religious and political leader in a Muslim government • Shi'a Muslim group that believed the caliph should always be a relative of the Prophet Muhammad • Sunni Muslim group that accepted the Umayyads and the rule of elected caliphs • Iberian Peninsula the southwestern tip of Europe, forming the present-day nations of Spain and Portugal • bureaucracy a system of departments and agencies that carry out the work of government • Abd al-Malik Umayyad caliph who declared Arabic the language of government for all Muslim lands • standing army a fighting force that is maintained in times of peace as well as war • Baghdad city on the Tigris River that became the Abbasid capital in 762 • golden age a period during which a country and its culture are at their peak • calligraphy art of fine handwriting • Omar Khayyam Persian born Muslim poet during the Abbasid period • faction group opposed to the ruling party • al-Andalus Muslim Spain • Córdoba capital of the Umayyad kingdom on the Iberian Peninsula • Abd al-Rahman III ruler of Muslim Spain during whose reign Al-Andalus reached the height of its power • mercenary soldier paid to fight 	<p>Geography The geography of the Arabian peninsula encouraged a nomadic way of life.</p> <p>Economics Trade routes opened the Arabian peninsula to goods and ideas from many parts of the world.</p> <p>Belief Systems Mecca was an important religious center as well as a trade city.</p> <p>Belief Systems Muhammad taught that he was a messenger of God and spread the religion of Islam.</p> <p>Culture The teachings of Islam provided laws and guidelines for religious practice and everyday life.</p> <p>Belief Systems Judaism, Christianity, and Islam share some beliefs, and all have sacred scriptures believed to be God's revelation.</p> <p>Belief Systems The leaders following Muhammad continued to spread the Prophet's message.</p> <p>Culture The caliphs who expanded the Muslim Empire showed tolerance to those they conquered.</p> <p>Government The issue of how to choose leaders divided the Muslim community.</p> <p>Government The Umayyads expanded Muslim rule to the east and westward into Europe.</p> <p>Government The Umayyads built a unified empire based on a strong government, a common language, and a common coinage.</p> <p>Government By 750, religious and political differences caused the Muslim Empire to split.</p> <p>Government The Abbasids built a powerful empire with Baghdad as their capital.</p> <p>Culture Muslim culture under the Abbasids was highly advanced.</p> <p>Government Internal revolts and external challenges led to the decline of Abbasid rule.</p> <p>Government The Umayyads created a strong Muslim kingdom, al-Andalus, on the Iberian Peninsula.</p> <p>Geography Córdoba, the capital of al-Andalus, became a thriving economic and cultural center under the Umayyads.</p> <p>Culture Al-Andalus enjoyed a flowering of culture and learning in the 1000s and 1100s.</p>	<p>Identify key locations in the spread of Islam on a map of the world</p> <p>Use your knowledge and given data to answer questions about the Islamic world based on maps, graphs, and charts</p> <p>Relate the historical conflict between Shi'a and Sunni Muslims to similar conflicts in the present, for example in Iraq</p> <p>Compare and contrast contemporary Andalusian and Medieval European cultures.</p>

