

Middle East Review Sheet

I. Study the Middle East map and be able to locate the following: Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq, Egypt, Israel, Jerusalem, Cairo, Baghdad, Tehran, Mediterranean Sea, Arabian Sea.

II. Define the following:

Fertile Crescent-

Monotheism-

Patriarchal-

PLO-

OPEC-

Hijab-

Muslim-

Al-Qaeda-

Refugee-

III. Answer the following Questions:

- 1) What landforms does the Middle East have?
- 2) What areas of the Middle East did the first civilizations settle?
- 3) Why is the Middle East known as the “crossroads of the world”?
- 4) Why is the Middle East a blend of cultures?
- 5) What links Arabs together?
- 6) What are the major contributions of each of the early civilizations listed below:
 - Sumerians
 - Babylonians
 - Phoenicians

7) List the 5 pillars of Islam.

8) Explain the cause of each of the following conflicts:

- Persian Gulf War
- Operation Iraqi Freedom
- Civil War in Syria
- War in Afghanistan

9) Who is Saddam Hussein?

10) What resource in the Middle East are western nations interested in?

11) Give the following for each religion of the Middle East:

	Judaism	Christianity	Islam
Founder			
Holy book			
Place of worship			
Symbol			
Rules/beliefs			

12) Describe at least 3 ways Islam impacts food/meal traditions for Muslims.

13) What are three benefits to educating girls in the Middle East?

14) Why do some women in the Middle East wear clothing covering their hair and/or face?

15) For what occasion is the game "dreidel" usually played?

16) What is a falafel?

IV. Essay- Answer the following question with as much detail as possible. Use correct paragraph form and complete sentences on the test. Make some notes below to help you prepare for the question.

Why do Palestinian Arabs and Israeli Jews continue to fight over Israel? Explain why both sides lay claim to the land, why they continue fighting today, and how this conflict impacts the rest of the world.