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This document lists resources and suppliers for teachers who want to obtain balanced and accurate resources for teaching about Arab culture. The Arab-American community provides a wealth of personal experience and expertise. There is no more effective teaching aid than first hand accounts of major historical events, sharing a taste of Arabic home cooking, playing live Arabic music, or modeling Arabic fashions. American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) members in over 70 chapters across the country have participated in school and university cultural festivals and taken part in teacher training seminars. The organization offers information on discrimination against and stereotyping of Arabs and on the Middle East conflict. Items listed provide background on Arabs and the American Arab heritage and culture. Other resources are listed under the individual organizations that provide them. Listed resources include maps, atlases, lesson plans, supplementary reading materials, and posters. The booklet is divided into four sections. The first lists organizations with addresses, brief descriptions of the purposes and goals of the group, and the resources that each offers. The second section lists publishers, the third periodicals, and the fourth audio visual sources for films, videos, and workshop kit. In addition, a list of university related Middle East outreach programs is included at the end. This list gives the university, the institute name, contact person, address, and telephone number for each program. (DK)

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ADC Guides are published by the ADC Research Institute on subjects of special interest to the Arab-American community. The American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) is a non-sectarian, non-partisan service organization committed to defending the rights and promoting the heritage of Arab-Americans. The largest grassroots Arab-American organization in the United States, ADC was founded in 1980 by former U.S. Senator James Abourezk in response to stereotyping, defamation and discrimination directed against Americans of Arab descent. ADC serves its nationwide membership through direct advocacy in cases of defamation, through legal action in cases of discrimination, and through counseling in matters of immigration.

The ADC Research Institute publishes information on issues of concern to Arab-Americans and provides educational materials on Arab history and culture as well as the ethnic experience of Arabs in America. It also sponsors summer internships in Washington, D.C., for college students.

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In recent years, the United States experienced an upsurge of keen interest in the Arab world among educators and students. ADC's education campaign has sought to satisfy this need for quality resources, written, audio-visual and human, about the Arab-American community and the cultures and history of the Middle East.

Part of ADC's concern has been anti-Arab defamation and stereotyping in the media and even in many textbooks used in school systems around the country. ADC publishes materials which present a positive understanding of Arab culture and our rich heritage to make sure that none of our children ever returns home from school ashamed to be an Arab. ADC continues to promote tolerance, understanding and appreciation for all cultures.

We appreciate that teachers are motivated by a desire to provide our children with the best possible education, but quite often when it comes to the Arab world, teachers don't know where to turn for balanced and accurate resources. ADC's Teachers' Resources on the Middle East answers this need.

The Arab-American community itself provides an amazing wealth of personal experience and expertise. As educators well know, there is no more effective teaching aid than firsthand accounts of major historical events, sharing a taste of Arabic home-cooking, playing live Arabic music or modeling Arabic fashions. Many ADC members in over 70 chapters across the country have participated in school and university cultural festivals and taken part in teacher-training seminars. Please contact the ADC National Office if you are interested in the "human resources" we offer to enrich your teaching experience.

ADC will continue to update this material on a regular basis and to stay abreast of new opportunities to improve education about the Arab world.

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1. Organizations

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ADC, which is committed to defending the rights and promoting the heritage of Arab-Americans, sponsors an education program designed to provide schools and teachers with materials on Arab and Arab-American history and culture. ADC offers information on discrimination against and stereotyping of Arabs. ADC also provides information on the Middle East conflict. In addition to the national office in D.C., about 70 chapters are located across the country.

Resources:

Anti-Arab Stereotyping and Discrimination

The following items focus on stereotyping and discrimination against Arabs. They provide a description and analysis of negative stereotypes of Arabs in American films, TV, literature, cartoons, and popular culture.


The TV Arab, Jack G. Shaheen. Bowling Green, Ohio: 1984. (146 pp.) $5.00

The Uprising in Cartoons, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute, 1988. In the struggle of symbols, these cartoons reflect the transition from negative stereotyping of Palestinians to a more accurate and sympathetic depiction and the emergence of negative images of the Israeli occupation. (66 pp.) $3.00

1991 Report on Anti-Arab Hate Crimes: Political and Hate Violence against Arab-Americans, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute, 1992. This issue provides a discussion of hate crimes during the Gulf War. (25 pp.) $2.00
The Arab World And The Arab-American Heritage

The following items provide background on Arabs and the American-Arab heritage and culture.

Arab Folktales, Inea Bushnaq. New York: Pantheon Books, 1986. This collection of Arab folk tales contains a world full of mischief, romance, and chivalry. The 130 tales' settings range from Morocco to Egypt to Iraq. (383 pp.) $7.00


A Celebration of Life: Memories of an Arab-American in Cleveland, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute, 1986. This issue paper describes the communities, home life, weddings, and funerals of Arab-Americans since the 1890's. (8 pp.) $1.00


Wrapping the Grapeleaves: A Sheaf of Contemporary Arab-American Poets, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute, 1982. This booklet contains poems written by a variety of Arab-American poets including Samuel Hazo, Joseph Awad, Sam Hamod, Ben Bennani, Naomi Shihab Nye, Gregory Orfalea, and Elmaz Abinader. (19 pp.) $2.00

Arab Contributions To Civilizations, Mary Macron. Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute. This is a survey of mathematics, astronomy, medicine, architecture, navigation, horticulture, crafts, and music in the Arab civilizations of the Middle Ages. (5 pp.) $1.00

Children of the Stones, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute. 1988. This book briefly describes Israeli policies and practices which gave rise to the intifada. It contains affidavits by youths subjected to abuse by Israeli soldiers. (48 pp.) $3.00

The Criminalization of Education: Academic Freedom and Human Rights at Birzeit University During the Palestinian Uprising, 1989. This book describes the extended closure of a Palestinian university, the harassment of off-campus teachers, and human rights violations against students, employees, and faculty. This included arbitrary arrests without charges or trial, mistreatment, torture, and deportation. (91 pp.)

Victims Speak Out: Voices for a New Middle East Policy, Washington, D.C.: ADC Research Institute. This book contains statements by former hostages in favor of Middle East peace and mutual understanding. (30 pp.) $2.00
American Muslim Council (AMC)
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The AMC serves the interests of the Muslim community in the U.S. It seeks to educate the American public regarding Islam and Islamic culture, to combat ethnic and religious discrimination, to raise the level of socio-political awareness and involvement among Muslims in the U.S. and to develop a consensus on issues within the Muslim community. AMC’s leadership reflects the vast array of races and ethnic groups that make up the American-Muslim community.

AMIDEAST
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AMIDEAST promotes understanding and cooperation between Americans and the people of the Middle East through education, information, and development programs, including the development and administration of regional trips for students and/or teachers. AMIDEAST has excellent resources for all grade levels. A catalogue is available.

Resources:

MAP: This 57 by 37 inch colorful wall map of the Middle East and North Africa is suitable for classroom use. $15.00 for the non-laminated edition, $25.00 for laminated edition, including UPS delivery and a heavy duty tube.

Arab World Almanac: The Almanac, which is published three times a year, is developed for the high school level. Each issue focuses on a multidisciplinary topic and provides complete lesson plans with lesson objectives, classroom activities, reproducible materials, etc. The lesson plans may be adapted for elementary and middle schools. $20.00/year for three issues; $7.00 each for back issues.

"Introduction to the Arab World": This video lays a foundation for exploring the Arab world. It is divided into three 15-minute segments covering a variety of topics such as the distinction between Arabs and Muslims, the effects of European colonization in the region and the rapid pace of change in the Arab world. A guidebook for teachers accompanies the video. It contains quizzes, a glossary of terms, and a list of discussion topics. $49.95, plus $3.00 for UPS postage and handling.

"The Arab World and Its People": A video surveying the region for grades five-eight. (1993).

Poster of the Arabic Alphabet: This 22 by 34 inch illustrated poster of the Arabic alphabet is suitable for classroom use. $15.00 for the non-laminated edition, $20.00 for the laminated edition, including UPS delivery and a heavy duty tube.
Hieroglyphics Poster: This poster, produced in Egypt, depicts hieroglyphic symbols and signs that were combined to spell out words and ideas. Students can use the information on the poster to send hieroglyphic messages to one another. $12.00 including UPS delivery and a heavy duty tube.

Arab World and Islamic Resources and School Services (AWAIR)
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14C0 Shattuck Ave Suite 9
Berkeley, CA 94703
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AWAIR provides quality materials and services for educators teaching about the Arab World and about Islam at the pre-college level. Excellent fiction and nonfiction books are available for elementary, middle, and high school levels. A catalog fully describing available material may be ordered. AWAIR also provides teacher training workshops.

Resources:

Arab World Notebook: For The Secondary School Level. Audrey Shabbas and Ayad Al-Gazzaz. Berkeley, CA: Najda, 1989. A binder notebook that is highly recommended. There are sophisticated lesson plans that relate the Arab World to students' lives, reproducible materials, student handouts, maps, an extensive list of other available resources and many other features. Practically and attractively packaged, it combines both balance and depth. It should be in the hands of every social studies teacher. (460 pp.) $39.95


These delightful stories portray the lives of Arab children in the Middle East. Recommended for elementary grades.

The Arabs: Activities for the Elementary School Level. Audrey Shabbas, Carol El-Shaleb and Ahlam Nabulsi. Berkeley, CA: AWAIR, 1991. This notebook provides suggestions of hands-on activities to develop new skills and understanding of the Arab World in children. This is recommended for every elementary school teacher. (60 pp.) $16.00

Middle Eastern Muslim Women Speak, Elizabeth Fernea and Basima Bezirgan eds. Austin, TX: Univ. of Texas Press, 1977. Includes poetry, literature, biographies, and political and social writings of Muslim women from Spain to Afghanistan across a period of thirteen centuries. (414 pp.) $12.50


banquet with a setting in Muslim Spain. Excite students with clothing, architecture, food, music, stories, games, and role-playing while having them explore Arab/Islamic civilization at its height. (160 pp.) $29.95

"The Alhambra" is a set of 20 slides to accompany A Medieval Banquet in the Alhambra Palace. $10.00


International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT)
Dr. Sayyid Syeed
Director of Outreach Services
555 Grove St.
Herndon, VA 22070
Tel: (703) 471-1133  Fax: (703) 471 3922

IIIT offers literature on Islam in the Arab world, organizes workshops and conferences for teachers and promotes Islamic scholarship. Qur'ans are provided to libraries.

Middle East Institute (MEI)
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MEI publishes the Middle East Journal, a scholarly quarterly, books and occasional papers on the Middle East and Islam. Has an extensive library accessible through interlibrary loan. Also has an audio-visual lending library. Provides advice about resources for teachers. Offers lectures, conferences, and cultural programs in the Washington area.

Middle East Outreach Council (MEOC)
Sandra D. Batmangelich
President
University of Chicago
5828 University Ave.
Chicago, IL 60637
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MEOC seeks to educate the public about the lands, culture, and peoples of the Middle East. Their materials emphasize secondary education. They coordinate the work of Middle East study centers at a number of universities. (See list of Middle East centers at the end of this guide.)
Resources:


**Middle East Studies Association of N. America**

Dr. Anne H. Betteridge  
Executive Director  
1232 N. Cherry Avenue  
Tuscon, AZ 85721  
Tel: (602) 621-5850  
Fax: (602) 321-7752

A professional academic association of scholars of the Middle East.

Resources:


**Middle East Materials for Teachers Students Non-specialists**, Catherine E. Jones, Tuscon, AZ: Middle East Studies Association, 1988. Lists resources on geography, literature, religion, history, culture and modern politics of the Middle East. Includes resources for primary and secondary grades.

**Muslim Education Council (MEC)**

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MEC is an organization of professional educators involved in disseminating information to administrators, teachers, students and parents about Islam and the cultures and peoples of the Middle East. MEC provides speakers and teacher-training workshops on Arabic and Islamic culture, on conflict resolution and cross-cultural understanding to schools and universities, churches and synagogues, and various organizations.
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National Council On U.S.-Arab Relations provides packets for teacher use complete with background on the Middle East, classroom activities, maps, etc. These packets, geared for elementary through high school, may be ordered for about $10.00.

Resources:

The National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations provides a variety of services for teachers and students to help develop an understanding of Arab countries and their cultures. The Council offers the Malcolm Kerr Scholar Awards to high school students, which enables them to spend their junior year studying in an Arab country. The National Council also sets up Model Arab League programs for high school students across the country. In addition, teacher training programs are offered, and the Council makes grants to underwrite teacher workshops.

The North American Council for Muslim Women (NACMW)
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NACMW is an independent non-profit organization of women promoting the interests and needs of Muslim women in North America. It addresses such issues as education, social services, improvement of media stereotypes and legal defense of women in the workplace. NACMW publishes translated works and original research on Muslim women in North America.

Resources:

NACMW maintains a speakers bureau of educated women across North America with expertise on a range of topics concerning the Arab and Islamic world including the subject of women in Islam.
2. Publishers

Interlink Publishing Group, Inc.
99 Seventh Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11215
Tel: (718) 797-4292

Interlink Books publishes educational and entertaining stories for children. They also offer both fiction and nonfiction books for young adults on the Middle East. A catalog describing the books may be ordered free of charge.

Amana Books
P.O. Box 678
Brattleboro, VT 05301
Tel: (802) 257-0872

Amana publishes many books on the Middle East. They will provide a free catalog describing these books.

3. Periodicals

Washington Report on Middle East Affairs
P.O. Box 53062
Washington, D.C. 20009
Tel: (202) 939-6052 or 1-800-368-5788

The Washington Report on Middle East Affairs is a news-oriented magazine published monthly by the American Educational Trust (AET), which was founded by retired US foreign service officers. The journal provides the American public with detailed, accurate news and analysis of events in Middle Eastern countries. An extensive book list is provided in each issue that features books at discount prices. Subscription is $19.00 per year.

ARAMCO World Magazine
Attention S.W.
P.O. Box 2106
Houston, Texas 77252

ARAMCO World Magazine is a glossy publication featuring stories and photographs on Arab culture and history. A subscription may be ordered free of charge.
MERIP focuses on the political, economic and cultural issues in the contemporary Middle East. This journal, which is published bi-monthly, provides an in-depth analysis and background. Topics recently addressed include the aftermath to the Gulf War, gender and politics and the intifada. Annual subscription rate is $25.00.

Inexpensive primers on the Palestinian issue and the Gulf War and issue papers on religious freedom, academic freedom, and the press in the Middle East are also available.

The Link
John Mahoney
Americans for Middle East Understanding, Inc.
475 Riverside Drive, Room 241
New York, NY 10115
Tel: (212) 870-2053

AMEU's bimonthly magazine, which focuses on current Middle East issues, carries one or two popularly written feature articles. A book list is provided in which books may be ordered at a discount price. A $25.00 voluntary annual subscription is requested.

Al Fajr - Jerusalem
16 Crowell Street
Hempstead, NY 11550
Tel: (516) 485-5736

This English-language weekly Palestinian newspaper reports on events in the Middle East. Subscription is $50.00 per year.

Jerusalem Post
North America Subscription Department
P.O. Box 282
Brewster, NY 10509
Tel: (914) 878-9522

This English-language weekly Israeli newspaper reports on events in the Middle East. Subscription is $79.95 per year.
Middle East International, published in London, provides new and analysis of events in the Middle East, as well as book reviews. A one year subscription of 25 issues is available for $59.00.

4. Audio Visual Sources

Kino International Corporation
333 West 39th Street
New York 10018
Tel: (212) 629-6880

Kino International distributes films from around the world. A film and video catalog may be ordered which describes the films available.

Center For Media And Values
1962 South Shenandoah St.
Los Angeles, CA 90034
Tel: (310) 559-9396

The Center provides a workshop kit called Images of Conflict. This kit, which includes a 12-minute video essay, examines how Pentagon strategists controlled information and images to rally public support for the war with Iraq. This kit is ideal for encouraging critical thinking among middle and high school students. $37.95 ($21.95 for the video alone)

Third World Newsreel
Dept. M.E.
335 West 38th Street, 5th Floor
New York, NY 10018
Tel: (212) 947-9277

Third World Newsreel has a selection entitled Palestinian Voices which contains films and videos on the Arab perspective. A free catalog describing the selections may be obtained. A/V material may be purchased or rented.
Landmark Films
3450 Slade Run Dr.
Falls Church
Tel: (703) 241-2030

Landmark Films offers a selection of about 50 films which would be suitable for middle grades and high school. A ten part series, *The Arabs: A Living History*, which offers vivid portraits of the diversity of Arab life and culture in a number of countries, is highly recommended. A free catalog describing the selections may be ordered.
University-Related Middle East Outreach Programs

Columbia University  
Middle East Institute  
Mt. Rhomou Berndtso  
Administrator  
420 West 18th Street  
New York, NY 10027  
(212) 854-2584

Emory University  
Middle East Research Program  
Dr. Kenneth Stein  
Director  
203 Bowden Hall  
Atlanta, GA 30322  
(404) 727-2798

Fordham University  
Middle East Studies Program  
Mr. John Entels/Mr. Erich Saphir  
Co-Directors  
Box 9, 113 West 60th Street  
New York, NY 10323-7475  
(212) 636-6390/6389

Georgetown University  
Community Resource Center  
Center for Contemporary Arab Studies  
Ms. Carole Oleary  
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501 Intercultural Center  
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(202) 687-6176

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SERMEISS (Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Seminar)  
SERMEISS Film Collection  
Ms. Louisa Moffett  
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Atlanta, GA 30319  
(404) 457-7201 (ask for Media Center)

Tufts University  
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