Selected Resources – NOT a Comprehensive List But a Place to Start!

Secondary Sources (articles, books, or chapters from books that describe the history of the times):


This article analyzes why the Ottoman Empire entered World War I.


At this site, you can find information, photos, etc. about the Armenian genocide.


This article analyzes the causes and processes of the Armenian genocide.


This book tells about Iraq during World War I.


This short British documentary on World War I in the Middle East can be watched entirely online. It is posted in five short segments of approximately 10 minutes each. It covers most topics related to the Middle East during the war.


The book describes Palestine during World War I.


This chapter of a well-regarded text gives an overview of World War I in the Ottoman Empire and the peace settlements that ended the empire.
“Gallipoli: The Drama of the Dardanelles.” *Imperial War Museums.*
[https://www.iwm.org.uk/search/stories?query=&filters%5Bsm_topic_name%5D%5BGallipoli%5D=on](https://www.iwm.org.uk/search/stories?query=&filters%5Bsm_topic_name%5D%5BGallipoli%5D=on)

This page links to many photos/websites on the Battle of Gallipoli.


You’ll find some great pictures of Middle Eastern military uniforms/units in this book.


This website has articles and photos on nearly any topic. Just click on the appropriate link(s).

*Ottoman History Podcast* - [http://www.ottomanhistorypodcast.com/](http://www.ottomanhistorypodcast.com/)

There are several podcasts about World War I.


This article provides an overview of disease in the Ottoman front.


This is a brief overview of the Ottoman Empire in World War I (in both Turkey and the Arab lands), the peace settlement that followed, and the Turkish revolution and second peace settlement after that. The assigned pages cover the period from 1914 (outbreak of the war) – 1923 (Treaty of Lausanne).


These pages are the summary and conclusions section of Tauber’s important book on Arab nationalism during World War I.


The book analyzes the Battle of Gallipoli.

Woodward, David R. “The Middle East during World War I.” *BBC History.*
[http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/wwone/middle_east_01.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/wwone/middle_east_01.shtml)

This article is a short overview.


This terrific website has links to articles on many different topics.


This article provides an overview of Ottoman troops taken prison by the British.
Primary Sources (eyewitness accounts such as diaries, memoirs, photographs, treaties, newspaper accounts):

   *This book is by a son of Romanian Jewish immigrants to Palestine.*

   *This is the memoirs of Jafar Pasha Al-Askari, describing the author’s participation in World War I and in the creation of modern Iraq in the 1920s and ’30s.*

   *This contains photos from 1919-1922, so the children were mostly war orphan/*

American Colony in Jerusalem, *Record Book Listing Girls Receiving Support through the Christian Herald Orphanage, As Supervised by the American Colony.* Library of Congress Digital Archives. [https://www.loc.gov/item/mamcol.092/](https://www.loc.gov/item/mamcol.092/)
   *This fascinating book has short newspaper clippings (in English) that provide a photo and brief bio of girls in the orphanage, so as to solicit funds for their support from American donors.*

   *A photograph album of World War I from the American colony in Jerusalem.*

   *This is a diary from the BRITISH point of view, not the Ottoman, but it’s still useful.*

   *This diary is by an Ottoman officer at Gallipoli.*

   *This is a collection of photos on many different topics involving the Ottoman army in World War I.*

*New York Times* articles. Do a search of their archives limiting the search to the dates of the First World War and using a useful key word or phrase. (Ask your teacher for help with this.)

The beginning of this diary (before he was taken prisoner) tells of the experiences of the Ottoman army fighting Russia on the Caucasian front.


These writings are by a war correspondent of the Associated Press of America, who observed and wrote about events in the Ottoman Empire.

*Times* (London) articles. Do a search of their archives limiting the search to the dates of the First World War and using a useful key word or phrase. (Ask your teacher for help with this.)


This is a very descriptive diary with information on events in Palestine, on medical issues, and on Arab nationalism in the Ottoman Empire.