Evidence Card for Investigator #5 – Camel Herding

In the summer, when many of the female camels are pregnant and about to give birth, the herders bring them down to the edge of the sea (since it is safer, during the birthing process, for baby camels to drop into the water or sand than onto the rocky mountain soil). If you are having a picnic, the camels are quite happy to join you – since they know that picnickers will share their food with them! The herders will eventually round them up, not on horseback or using dogs the way we heard sheep or cattle in the U.S., but using jeeps. Herders will carefully nudge a camel with a jeep until the camel heads in the right direction, will repeat the process with two or three other camels, and then will drive away, seemingly unconcerned about the camels left behind. Not to worry, though. The remaining animals, upon seeing their friends heading off, will hurry to join them until the whole heard is going in the right direction!