Master List of Lessons on the Website

By Subject/Country
General Middle East, Comparative (Middle East with Other Regions), Religion, Holocaust, Israel/Palestine, Ottoman Empire/Turkey, Iran, Armenia, Cyprus, Morocco, Afghanistan, Iraq, Egypt, Algeria/Tunisia/Libya, Balkans.

General Middle East

Black Gold by Ashlee Beckett
Content: Geography
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School

Blind Man and the Elephant by Laura Provencher
Content: Literature
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Elementary

Contributions of Islamic Civilization by Saviz Safizadeh
Content: History
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Crusade Perspectives by Maria Clymer
Content: History
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School

Exploring Stereotypes through Literature and Poetry by Tim Flanagan
Content: Literature
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School

Exploring Turkey through Online Collaboration by Susan Kopecki and Maria Avery
Content: Geography, History, Art
Subject: Turkey, General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School

Hanging Odes and Arabic Calligraphy: Investigating the Personal by Trevor Wallace
Content: Writing and Culture
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Elementary and Middle School
International Holiday Unit by Amanda Tanbal
Content: Culture, Literature
Subject: Religion, General Middle East
Grade Level: Elementary

Iran, Iraq - What's the Difference? Powerpoint by Lisa Adeli
Content: Culture
Subject: Iran, Iraq and General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School, High School and Adult

Islamic Women by Chris O'Brien
Content: History and Culture
Subject: Religion and General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Kurds: People without a Country, The by Lisa Adeli
Content: History, Geography and Current Events
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Measuring the Travels of Two Adventurers: Marco Polo and Ibn Battuta by Cheryl Wiens
Content: History, Geography and Math
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School

Middle East and North Africa by Debra Ballweg
Content: History, Geography, Culture
Subject: General Middle East, Religion
Grade Level: High School

Middle Eastern Money by Lisa Adeli
Content: Science and Current Events/Politics
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Elementary

Middle East Related Lesson Plan: Learning From Current Event Articles by Hortensia Cota
Content: Current Events
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School

Morocco: Storytelling, A Window Into Culture by Jessica Setzer
Content: Foreign Language (French) and Culture
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School
Muslim Holocaust Rescuers by Lisa Adeli  
Content: History  
Subject: General Middle East, Balkans and Holocaust  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

My Silk Road Journey by Sharlyn Scott  
Content: History and Geography  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: High School

Night of the Moon by Laura Provencher  
Content: Literature, Science  
Subject: Religion, General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

Ramadan by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Culture  
Subject: Religion, General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

Read Aloud Literature by Vicki Waxman  
Content: Literature  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

Reality Check: You Won’t See These Muslims on TV by Benjamin Breault  
Content: Current Events and Culture  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: High School

Region by Any Other Name by Brenda Bonine  
Content: Geography  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Rug Activity for Children, Courtesy of CMES and Tucson Collects: Tribal and Village Rugs from Arizona Collections  
Story by Ovadan Amanova-Olsen  
Content: Art  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

Shark Tank: Middle East Competition by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Geography, Research/Writing  
Subject: General Middle East  
Grade Level: High School
Sports, Politics, and Social Change in the Modern Middle East by Lisa Adeli
Content: History, Culture, and Current Events
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School

Thin Ice Encompassed by Increasing Fire: Conflict and Struggle for Human Rights in the Middle East by Catrina Pelton
Content: History and Current Events
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School

Tuning in to Turning Points by Lisa Adeli
Content: History
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School

War and Remembrance by Lisa Adeli
Content: History and Art
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

What Is Going on Here? An Inquiry Lesson in Current Events in the Muslim World by Caryn W. Stedman
Content: Research/Writing and Current Events
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Where in the World Is the Middle East? An Action Research Approach by Adrianne B. Everton
Content: Geography
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

World War I in the Middle East - Diaries, Documents, and Diatribes by Lisa Adeli
Content: History and Literature
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

World War I in the Middle East - Museum Research Project by Lisa Adeli
Content: Geography, History, and Research/Writing
Subject: General Middle East
Grade Level: High School
Comparative or Connective (Middle East to Other Regions)

**Compare and Contrast the Empires** by Brian Croone  
Content: History  
Subject: Comparative  
Grade Level: High School

**Conflict Resolution Mini Unit** by Jennifer Turner  
Content: History and Current Events  
Subject: Comparative and Cyprus  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Cultural Diffusion: The Impact of the Middle East on the Balkans Powerpoint** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Culture  
Subject: Comparative and Balkans  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Dead Sea/Glen Canyon Dam Webquest** by Kathleen Schull  
Content: Geography  
Subject: Comparative and Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School

**Diasporas: The Great Geographic Dislocations of History** by Barbara Williams  
Content: Geography, History, and Research/Writing  
Subject: Turkey, Comparative  
Grade Level: High School

**Florentine and Ottoman Women of the 14th – 16th Centuries: A Comparative Curriculum Unit** by Louise Forsyth  
Content: History and Culture  
Subject: Comparative and Ottoman Empire  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Geography of Great Empires** by Barbara Williams  
Content: History and Geography  
Subject: Comparative and Ottoman Empire  
Grade Level: High School

**Medieval Spain: Meeting Place of Muslim, Christian, and Jewish Culture** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: History, Geography, and Culture  
Subject: Comparative or Connective  
Grade Level: High School
Medieval Travels by Matt Lyons
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Comparative
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Teaching Unit on the Trans-Saharan Trade, 700-1450 C.E by Thomas Holmes
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Morocco and Comparative
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Water in the Desert by Jennifer Jenkin
Content: Science and Geography
Subject: Comparative
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Religion

International Holiday Unit by Amanda Tanbal
Content: Culture, Literature
Subject: Religion, General Middle East
Grade Level: Elementary

Introduction to Islam by Roxanne Taylor and Jayme Taylor
Content: Culture
Subject: Religion
Grade Level: Middle and High School

Islam Powerpoint, Introduction to by Lisa Adeli
Content: History
Subject: Religion
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Islamic Women by Chris O'Brien
Content: History and Culture
Subject: Religion and General Middle East
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Middle East and North Africa by Debra Ballweg
Content: History, Geography, Culture
Subject: General Middle East, Religion
Grade Level: High School
**Mosque Design** by Jessica Silverman  
Content: Art and Culture  
Subject: The Ottoman Empire and Religion  
Grade Level: Middle School

**Night of the Moon** by Laura Provencher  
Content: Literature, Science  
Subject: Religion, General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

**Quran Powerpoint** by Max McCulley  
Content: Culture/Gender  
Subject: Religion  
Grade Level: Middle School, High School and Adult

**Ramadan** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Culture  
Subject: Religion, General Middle East  
Grade Level: Elementary

**This I Believe -The Politics of Identity and the Headscarf in Modern Turkey** by Wendy Youngblood  
Content: Current Events and Culture  
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey and Religion  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Use of Symbols in Egyptian Religion: Ancient, Coptic Christianity, and Islam** by Sharlyn Scott  
Content: History and Art  
Subject: Religion and Egypt  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Holocaust**

**Grand Mosque of Paris: A Story of How Muslims Rescued Jews during the Holocaust**  
Content: History and Literature  
Subject: Holocaust  
Grade Level: Middle School

**Muslim Holocaust Rescuers** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: History  
Subject: General Middle East, Balkans and Holocaust  
Grade Level: High School and Adult
Israel/Palestine

**Day at the Beach** by Karen Lieneke  
Content: Geography and Current Events  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School

**Dead Sea/Glen Canyon Dam Webquest** by Kathleen Schull  
Content: Geography  
Subject: Comparative and Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School

**Palestinian and Israeli Literature** by Michelle Ramadan  
Content: Literature  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Palestine/Israel - 1948: One Event, Two Perspectives** by Samia Shoman  
Content: History and Geography  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Palestinian - Israeli Conflict - A Lesson in Perspective Powerpoint** by MaryLynne Fillmon  
Content: History and Current Events  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School

**Palestinian-Israeli Issue/High School English** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Literature and Current Events  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Palestinian-Israeli Issue/High School Social Studies** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: History and Current Events  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School

**Peace and Perspective Through Poetry** by Tina Anima  
Content: Literature and Current Events  
Subject: Israel/Palestine  
Grade Level: High School
Sharing Jerusalem's Landmarks by David Cedor
Content: Culture
Subject: Israel/Palestine
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Students Writing Poetry Inspired by the Work of Palestinian-American Naomi Shihab Nye by Betsey Coleman
Content: Literature and Culture
Subject: Israel/Palestine
Grade Level: High School

Teaching the Book Tasting the Sky by Patricia Hutchinson
Content: Literature and Geography
Subject: Israel/Palestine
Grade Level: Middle and High School

Ottoman Empire/Turkey

All Roads Lead to Istanbul: 1550 World's Fair Simulation by Linda Waagen
Content: Geography and History
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Contagion, Quarantines, and Cures in History: Case Study - the Ottoman Empire by Lisa Adeli
Content: History, Geography, and Science
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: High School

Diasporas: The Great Geographic Dislocations of History by Barbara Williams
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**How History Shaped Literature and How Literature Changed History: Serbs and the Battle of Kosovo** by Lisa Adeli  
Content: Literature, History, and Research/Writing  
Subject: Balkans and Ottoman Empire  
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Iznik Tile Design** by Michelle Molnar  
Content: History and Art  
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey  
Grade Level: High School

**Mosque Design** by Jessica Silverman  
Content: Art and Culture  
Subject: The Ottoman Empire and Religion  
Grade Level: Middle School

**Nasreddin Hodja: Turkish and Middle Eastern Folklore Philosopher** by Joyce Daigle  
Content: Literature, Culture  
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey  
Grade Level: Elementary

**Ottoman Art Experience** by Michael Freydin and Jeff Moss  
Content: History and Art  
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey  
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

**Ottoman Empire News Broadcast** by Jennifer Turner  
Content: History  
Subject: Ottoman Empire  
Grade Level: High School

**Ottoman Empire Unit** by Stacy Hercules  
Content: History, Culture and Geography  
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans  
Grade Level: High School and Adult
Ottoman Geography Lessons: “What's in a Name?,” “Eye of the Beholder,” and “People and Places” by Brenda Bonine
Content: Geography and History
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School

Ottoman Lesson Plan by Karen Michels
Content: Geography and History
Subject: Ottoman Empire
Grade Level: High School

Ottoman Lyric Poetry by Danita Dodson
Content: Literature and History
Subject: Ottoman Empire
Grade Level: High School

Ratios and Proportions in Turkey by Marsha Mallinger-Ruben
Content: Science
Subject: Turkey
Grade Level: Middle School

Teach Ottoman Empire by Abbey McNair
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School and Adult

This I Believe - The Politics of Identity and the Headscarf in Modern Turkey by Wendy Youngblood
Content: Current Events and Culture
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey and Religion
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Tiles For The Sultan by Gili Sherman
Content: Art
Subject: Ottoman Empire
Grade Level: Elementary

Turkey: Bridge Between East and West by Carole Barnes and Barbara Martin
Content: Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: Middle School

Turkey Joining the European Union by Sigma Colon
Content: Literature and Current Events
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: High School
Turkey Trip by Chris Walden - Jones
Content: Geography and Current Events
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: High School

Unraveling the Rug – Comparing the Richly Diverse Regions of the Ottoman Empire by Jeff Mann
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School

Virtual Field Trip to Turkey by Kate Mahady
Content: Geography and Culture
Subject: Ottoman Empire/Turkey
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Iran

Day in the Life of an Iranian Child by Shauna Little
Content: Culture
Subject: Iran
Grade Level: Elementary

Iranian Hostage Crisis by Julie Nedved
Content: History
Subject: Iran
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Iranian New Year by Lisa Adeli
Content: Culture
Subject: Iran
Grade Level: Elementary

Iran, Iraq - What's the Difference? Powerpoint by Lisa Adeli
Content: Culture
Subject: Iran, Iraq and General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School, High School and Adult

Little Black Fish: A Persian Short Story, lesson by Lisa Adeli
Content: Literature, Culture
Subject: Iran
Grade Level: Middle School
Persian New Year Math by Lisa Adeli
Content: Math, Geography
Subject: Iran/Central Asia, Culture
Grade Level: Elementary – separate lessons for Grades 2, 3, & 4

Armenia

100 Years Later – The Armenian Genocide and Denial by Kelsey Hudson
Content: History
Subject: Armenia
Grade Level: High School

Armenia in A Time of Change by Lisa Adeli
Content: History and Current Events
Subject: Armenia
Grade Level: High School

Children's Life in Armenia by Lisa Adeli
Content: Geography, Current Events, Culture
Subject: Armenia
Grade Level: Elementary

Cyprus

Agriculture and Food of Cyprus by Denise Reilly
Content: Science, Environment and Culture
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

All about Cyprus Powerpoint Presentation
Content: Culture
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Conflict Resolution Mini Unit by Jennifer Turner
Content: History and Current Events
Subject: Comparative and Cyprus
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Cyprus and "The Other" by Kristina Burbank and Lynn Galvin
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School
Cyprus Interdisciplinary Lesson by Julie Nedved and Jenn Muniz
Content: Geography, History, Current Events
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

Footprints across Cyprus: A Virtual Fieldtrip of Cyprus' Landscape and Culture by Diane Godfrey
Content: Culture
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Importance of Cyprus during the Crusades by Jeremy Church
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

In Search of Aphrodite's Rock by Heather Kiser
Content: Literature and Geography
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

Mosaics of Cyprus by Greg Burch
Content: Art
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

United We Stand…Case Study: Cyprus by Lori Hare
Content: Geography and History
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

"Where I'm From, Many Perspectives or Just One? Identifying Perspectives from a Turkish-Cypriot, A Greek Cypriot, 2Pac, George Lyons and You - The Student" by Jacqi Nicholson
Content: Literature
Subject: Cyprus
Grade Level: High School

Morocco

Arts and Culture of the Berber Tribes of Morocco and the Sahara, The by Lorna Holmes
Content: Art and Culture
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School and Adult
Cross Cultural Contact by Sarah La Brec
Content: Geography, Art and Culture
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: Elementary and Middle School

Culture versus Capitalism in Rural Morocco by Elorie Bechtel
Content: Economics
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Moroccan Specialty by Jeannine Kuropatkin and Cheryl Wiens
Content: Culture
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Morocco: Storytelling, A Window Into Culture by Jessica Setzer
Content: Foreign Language (French) and Culture
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School

Morocco: Understanding through the Elements by Kimberlee Johnsen
Content: Geography
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School

Teaching Unit on the Trans-Saharan Trade, 700-1450 C.E by Thomas Holmes
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Morocco and Comparative
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Universal Thematic Study through the Moroccan Cultural Lens, A by Omar Hakim
Content: Culture, Art and Literature
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Water in the Desert by Jennifer Valentine
Content: Science, Geography
Subject: Morocco
Grade Level: Elementary

Afghanistan

Afghanistan through Youth Literature by Lisa Adeli
Content: Literature
Subject: Afghanistan
Grade Level: Middle School
Kite Project (summarizing Khaled Hosseini’s *The Kite Runner*) by Farhana Hoque
Content: Literature
Subject: Afghanistan
Grade Level: High School

*Kite Runner* by Robert Mossman
Content: Literature
Subject: Afghanistan
Grade Level: High School

Postwar Reconstruction by Lisa Adeli
Content: Current Events/Politics
Subject: Afghanistan
Grade Level: High School and Adult

**Iraq**

100 Years in Mesopotamia: A Century of Conflict in Iraq, 1914-2014 by Jeremy Reinholt.
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Iraq
Grade Level: High School and Adult

American Government Problem Based Learning: Create a Government for Iraq by David Rubin
Content: Current Events
Subject: Iraq
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Examining the Influence of the U.S. Constitution on the Iraqi Constitution Ratified in 2005 by Barbara Hall
Content: Politics
Subject: Iraq
Grade Level: Middle School and High School

Iran, Iraq - What's the Difference? Powerpoint by Lisa Adeli
Content: Culture
Subject: Iran, Iraq and General Middle East
Grade Level: Middle School, High School, and Adult

Librarian of Basra by Shari Lossou-Lossavi
Content: Literature, Current Events
Subject: Iraq
Grade Level: Elementary
Egypt

Use of Symbols in Egyptian Religion: Ancient, Coptic Christianity, and Islam by Sharlyn Scott
Content: History and Art
Subject: Egypt
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Algeria, Tunisia, Libya

Algerian Folk Tales and Grimm's Fairy Tales
Content: Literature
Subject: Algeria/Tunisia/Libya
Grade Level: Elementary

Balkans

Balkan Lesson Plan by Stacy Hercules
Content: History, Current Events
Subject: Balkans
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Grade Level: High School and Adult

Muslim Holocaust Rescuers by Lisa Adeli
Content: History
Subject: General Middle East, Balkans and Holocaust
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Ottoman Empire Unit by Stacy Hercules
Content: History, Culture and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School and Adult
Ottoman Travel Brochure by Jeff Mann
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School

Teach Ottoman Empire by Abbey McNair
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School and Adult

Teenage Assassins and the Outbreak of World War I by Lisa Adeli
Content: History
Subject: Balkans
Grade Level: High School

Unraveling the Rug – Comparing the Richly Diverse Regions of the Ottoman Empire by Jeff Mann
Content: History and Geography
Subject: Ottoman Empire and Balkans
Grade Level: High School