

# Syria

Look at pictures (bottom of the page – Banknotes) of Syrian pounds on:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syrian\\_pound](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syrian_pound)

1. On the banknote for 1000 pounds, you see the picture of Hafez al-Assad.
  - A. He ruled Syria from 1970-2000, and then his son took over and has ruled for over 10 years. What does this tell you about the type of government in Syria?
  - B. Also on the same picture is a mosque. What is a mosque?
2. Click on some of the pictures of the bills.
  - A. On the 200 pound note, you see a picture of a young woman. How is she dressed? (Why is she dressed like that?)
  - B. Look at the writing on the front of each bill. What is the main language of Syria? Why do you think the writing on the back is in English?

3. Find Syria on the map below, and write 'Syria' on it. Color Syria on the map. Then, write in the names of Syria's neighbors.

