

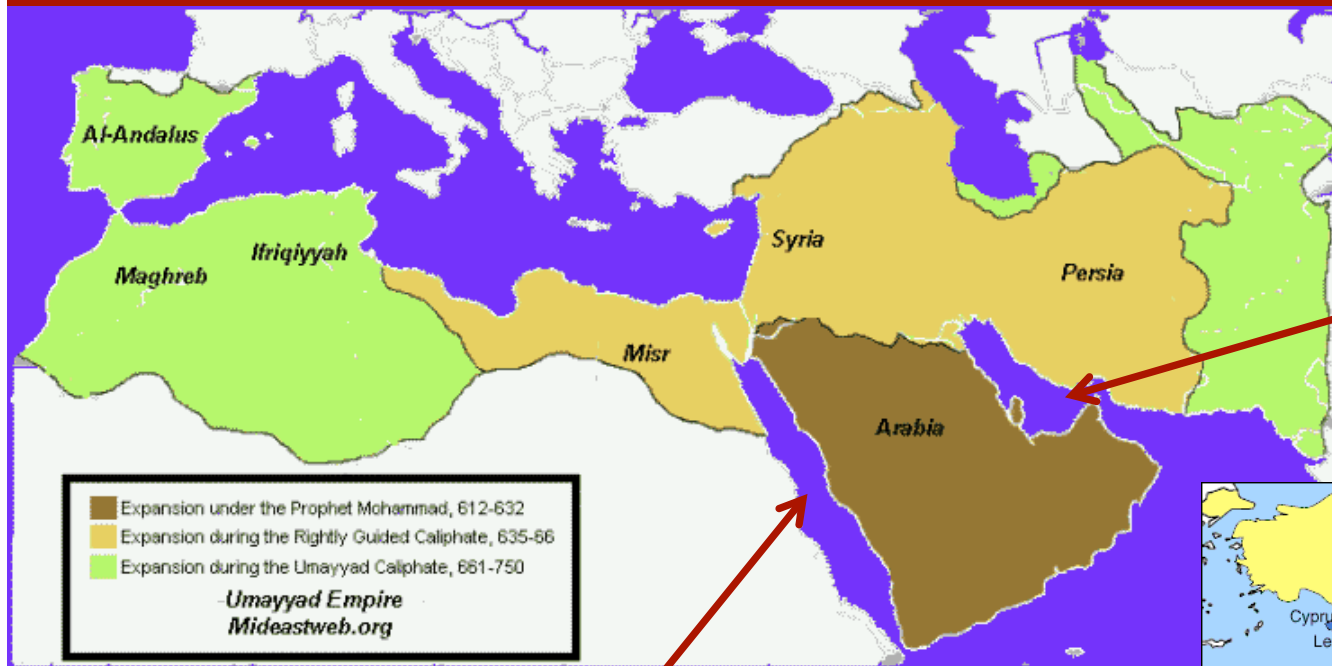


# The Islamic World

Geography and People of the Middle East



# Location





# Geographical Features



# Islam

- Means “peace” and “submission.”
- Muslims are followers of Islam, or Muhammad.
- Monotheistic
- Name for God: Allah

# Speak Arabic

- Typical greeting:

- “Assalaam alaikum”

- Meaning, “peace be with you” or “peace of God be with you.”

لسلام عليكم

- Response:

- “Wa alaikum assalaam”

- Meaning, “and upon you be peace.”

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- <http://www.islamic-dictionary.com/sounds/assalamu%20alaikum.mp3>

# Traditional Dress

## ■ MALE DRESS

- THOBE: The traditional clothing for men is the Thobe, a loose, long-sleeved, ankle-length garment. Thobes worn in summer are generally white and made of cotton. Thobes worn in winter are generally darker in color and made of wool.
- TAGIYAH: The Tagiyah is a white knitted skull cap
- GHUTRA: The Ghutra is a square scarf, made of cotton or silk, which is worn folded across the head over the Tagiyah. The end of the scarf can be draped across the face as protection in the event of sandstorms.
- AGAL: The Agal is a thick, doubled, black cord which is worn on top of the Ghutra to hold it in place.

## ■ FEMALE DRESS

- ABAYA: The Abaya is a large, black cloak, worn either loose and flowing or wrapped around the body. The Abaya is generally made of silk or synthetic cloth.
- BOSHIYA/SHAYLA: The Boshiya is a black veil, light in weight, worn across the lower part of the face.
- SURWAL: The Surwal are cotton or silk trousers worn by women under the Thobe.



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