

The Middle East

A self-driven study

We'll be exploring issues central to the Middle East – from history to culture, current events to beliefs.

This study...

- will help us wrap up our discussion on the question of whether or not war is justified
- coincides with the seventh grade ELA curriculum plan called “Beyond Boundaries”
- follows the seventh grade GT unit on communicative arts and cultural awareness
- complements the fourth quarter social studies curriculum

YOU WILL...

Read at least **ONE** “big” book

AND

Read at least **TWO** “small” books

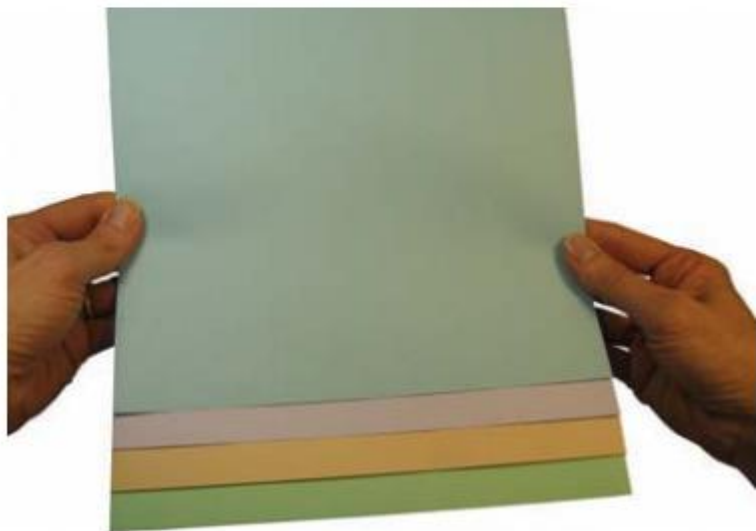
AND

Explore at least **THREE** web sites

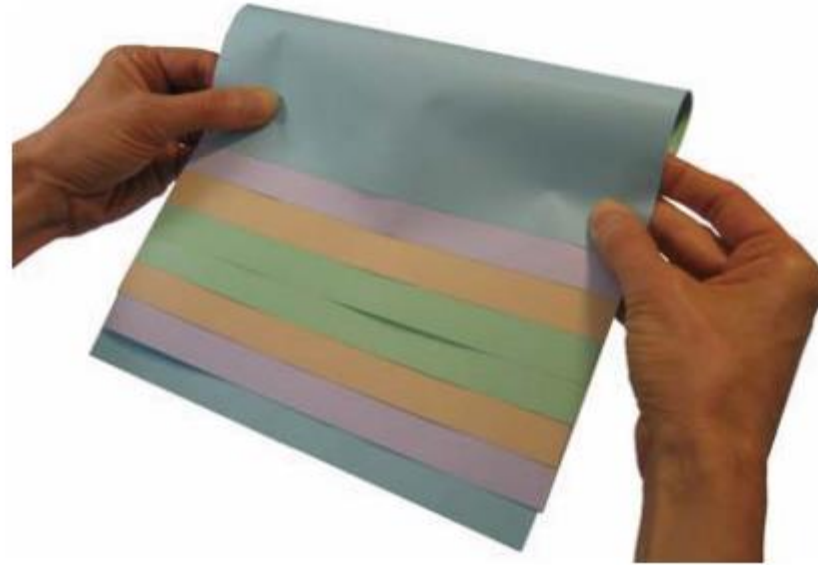
**You will record
the things you
learn in a layered-
look book foldable.**

How to make a Layered Look Book Foldable®*

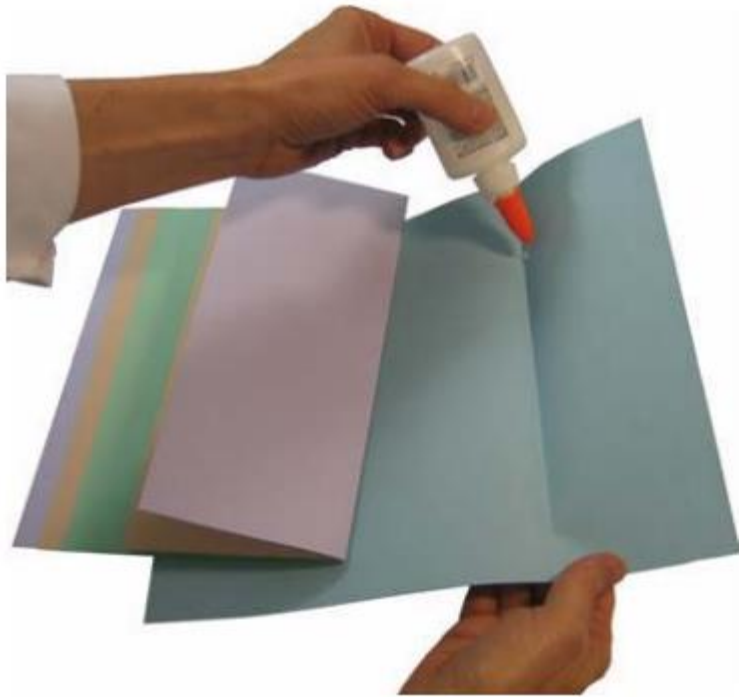
1. Stack four sheets of paper (8 ½” x 11”) together, placing each consecutive sheet around ¾ of an inch higher than the sheet in front of it.



2. Bring the bottom of both sheets upwards and align the edges so that all of the layers or tabs are the same distance apart.



3. When all of the tabs are equal distance apart, fold the papers and crease well.
4. Open the papers and glue them together along the valley/center fold.



TAB LABELS

- History
 - What happened?
 - When did it happen?
 - Where did it happen?
 - Who was involved?
 - What were the causes and effects?

TAB LABELS

- History
- Religion
 - What religions do people in the Middle East practice?
 - What does that practice look like?
 - What do people believe?

TAB LABELS

- History
- Religion
- Culture
 - Food
 - Hospitality
 - Rituals
 - Customs
 - Greetings/Good-byes
 - Dress

TAB LABELS

- History
- Religion
- Culture
- Human Rights
 - Equality
 - Voting laws
 - Citizenship
 - Freedoms

TAB LABELS

- History
- Religion
- Culture
- Human Rights
- Current Events
 - Political leaders
 - Stuff in the news
 - Conflicts
 - Military involvement
 - Arab Spring

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- History
- Religion
- Culture
- Human Rights
- Current Events
- Miscellaneous
 - Language
 - Geography
 - Whatever you learn that doesn't fit neatly into one of the other categories...

TAB LABELS

- History
- Religion
- Culture
- Human Rights
- Current Events
- Miscellaneous
- Analysis
 - What's your opinion???

Analysis

- Is peace possible in this region?
- What can America/Americans do to help?
- Who is really to blame?
- Are current actions in the Middle East justifiable?
- To what extent do you think non-Middle Eastern nations should be involved in the current conflicts?
- How could current conflicts be resolved?

Use this page to address any topic you would like that demonstrates evaluation of what you have learned about the Middle East.

THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF YOUR FOLDABLE.

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