

THE MIDDLE EAST



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The following list is a sampling of the books we have on this subject. Children's, teen, and adult books are included here. Students and their parents should choose the books that are most appropriate for them.

MIDDLE EAST (REGION)

Parade of Shadows

by Gloria Whelan

YA F WHELAN

In 1907, 16-year-old Julia Hamilton, happy to accompany her diplomat father on a tour of the Istanbul, Damascus, Palmyra, and Aleppo, soon finds the journey increasingly hazardous. 295 pages

Hakim's Odyssey

by Fabien Toulmé

GRAPHIC NOVELS TOULME

War forces a young Syrian refugee to leave everything behind, including his family, his friends, his home, and his business. This book follows his travels from Syria, to Lebanon, Jordan, and Turkey. 261 pages

Our Women on the Ground

by Zahra Hankir

070.4082 OUR

Nineteen Arab women reporters and journalists share what it's like to report on conflicts in their homelands. Daring, shocking, and heartfelt, these stories add an important and often-misunderstood perspective to our understanding of the Arab world. 278 pages

Arab Spring Dreams

by Nasser Weddady

305.235 ARA

Young Middle Easterners describe their experiences with the region's laws and cultural mores, including discrimination and harassment over religious beliefs, and young women's rights to an education. 235 pages

ISIS: The Global Face of Terrorism

by Brendan January

YA 363.325 JAN

Explores the roots of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS), how it plans attacks, recruits followers, and the global efforts to stop the group. 104 pages

Three Cups of Tea

by Sarah L. Thomson

YA 371.822 THO

A middle-grade adaptation of how mountaineer Greg Mortenson worked to build schools that would benefit young girls who were forbidden an education by Taliban restrictions. 209 pages

Book of Queens

by Pardis Mahdavi

636.1109 MAH

The story of generations of Middle Eastern horsewomen who safeguarded an ancient breed of Caspian horse from the days of Persian Empire marauders to the Taliban and others seeking to destroy them. 285 pages

The Arab Spring Uprisings

by Hal Marcovitz

YA 909.0974 MAR

Examines the revolutionary wave of demonstrations and protests (both non-violent and violent), riots, and civil wars in the Arab world that began on December 18, 2010. 96 pages

Black Wave

by Kim Ghattas

955.053 GHA

Chronicles decades of rivalry between Saudi Arabia and Iran, linking the 1979 Iranian revolution, American policy changes, distortions in religious expression, and the rise of sectarian violence to present-day perceptions about the Middle East. 377 pages

Middle East

by Philip Steele

YA 956 STE

An introduction to the traditions and diversity of Middle Eastern countries, exploring religion, culture, geography, history, and current affairs of the region. 63 pages

100 Myths about the Middle East

by Fred Halliday

956.04 HAL

Halliday debunks 100 of the most commonly misconstrued "facts" concerning the Middle East in the political, cultural, social, and historical spheres. 269 pages

Dining with Al-Qaeda

by Hugh Pope

956.05 POP

Journalist Hugh Pope explores the people, politics, religion, and culture of Islamic nations to show there is no such thing as a monolithic "Muslim world." 332 pages

Rolling Blackouts

by Sarah Glidden

GRAPHIC NOVELS 070.4332 GLI

Cartoonist Sarah Glidden accompanies her two friends—reporters and founders of a journalism non-profit—as they research the effects of the Iraq War on the Middle East and, specifically, the war's refugees. 298 pages

AFGHANISTAN

One Half from the East

by Nadia Hashimi

J F HASHIMI

After moving from Kabul to a small village, Obayda's family needs some good fortune. The family decides to dress Obayda as a boy, a bacha posh, and Obayda experiences freedoms she never had before. 256 pages

The Secret Sky

by Atia Abawi

YA F ABAWI

Two teens from different ethnic groups in present-day Afghanistan must fight their culture, tradition, families, and the Taliban to stay together as they relate the story of their forbidden love. 290 pages

Green on Blue

by Elliot Ackerman

F ACKERMAN

Trapped in conflict, Aziz struggles to understand his place. Will he embrace the brutality of war or leave it behind, and risk placing his brother—the only family he has left—in jeopardy? 242 pages

The Pearl That Broke Its Shell

by Nadia Hashimi

F HASHIMI

With a drug-addicted father and no brothers, Rahima and her sisters can only sporadically attend school and rarely leave the house. Their only hope lies in the ancient custom of bacha posh, which allows young Rahima to dress and be treated as a boy until she is of marriageable age. 452 pages

The Kite Runner

by Khaled Hosseini

F HOSSEINI

Traces the unlikely friendship of a wealthy Afghan youth and a servant's son, in a tale that spans the final days of Afghanistan's monarchy through the atrocities of the present day. 324 pages

A Thousand Splendid Suns

by Khaled Hosseini

F HOSSEINI

Against a backdrop of three decades of anti-Soviet jihad, civil war, and Taliban tyranny, two women fight an asymmetrical battle with a violent, middle-aged misogynist who is endorsed by custom and law. 372 pages



The Underground Girls of Kabul

by Jenny Nordberg

305.3095 NOR

The revealing story of the secret Afghan custom of disguising girls as boys to improve their prospects, discussing its political and social significance as well as the experiences of its practitioners. 350 pages



Kabul Beauty School

by Deborah Rodriguez

305.4869 ROD

Rodriguez tells the story of the beauty school she founds in the middle of the Afghan city of Kabul, and lifts the veil of secrecy about the vibrant women who were her students there. 275 pages

Afghanistan

by Terri Willis

YA 958.1 WIL

An introduction to the geography, history, culture, and everyday life of Afghanistan. 144 pages

The War in Afghanistan

by Stuart Kallen

YA 958.1047 KAL

Organized chronologically, this book provides information on the U.S. war in Afghanistan, spanning between September 11, 2001, through 2013. 96 pages



The Lightless Sky

by Gulwali Passarlay

BIO PASSARLA

Documents the author's traumatic flight from Afghanistan to the West at the age of 12, describing how he escaped from Taliban recruiters that killed his father, his journey over mountains through eight countries, and his endurance against hunger, brutality and imprisonment. 361 pages



Dancing in the Mosque

by Homeira Qaderi

BIO QADERI

An exquisite and inspiring memoir about one mother's unimaginable choice in the face of oppression and abuse in Taliban-controlled Afghanistan. 212 pages



The Dressmaker of Khair Khana

by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon

BIO SEDIQI

The incredible true account of Kamela Sediqi who, when her father and brother were forced to flee Kabul, became the sole breadwinner for her five siblings. 256 pages

IRAN



Darius the Great is Not Okay

by Adib Khorram

YA F KHORRAM

Clinically-depressed Darius Kellner, a high school sophomore, travels to Iran to meet his grandparents, but it is their next-door neighbor, Sohrab, who changes his life. 314 pages



Everything Sad is Untrue

by Daniel Nayeri

YA F NAYERI

To his classmates, Khosrou is "Daniel," an odd boy who doesn't fit in and makes up stories. But his stories are all true—his family fleeing Iran in the middle of the night pursued by secret police, the refugee camps of Italy, and ages-old tales of the beauty of his homeland. 356 pages

Rooftops of Tehran

by Mahbod Seraji

F SERAJI

Seventeen-year-old Pasha spends one perfect summer with his beautiful neighbor Zari, until he unwittingly guides the Shah's secret police to their target: Zari's intended. 348 pages

Zahra's Paradise

by Amir Soltani

GRAPHIC NOVELS AMIR

Follows a family's desperate search for Mehdi, a young Iranian protester who went missing in the aftermath of Iran's fraudulent 2009 elections. 255 pages

America and Iran

by John Ghazvinian

327.5507 GHA

A history of the relationship between Iran and America from the 1700s through the current day. 667 pages

A History of Iran

by Michael Axworthy

955 AXW

Explores the influence of Iran's history, both religious and political, on the national identity and discusses the role of literary, religious, intellectual, and cultural movements of the past on Iranian civilization today. 341 pages

Iran

by JoAnn Milivojevic

YA 955 MIL

An introduction to the people, culture, government, economy, and land of Iran. 144 pages

Growing Up in Iran

by Barbara Sheen

YA 955 SHE

Contains an overview of the country, as well as insights into how Iran's youth experience home and family, education and work, social life, and more. 80 pages

The Iranian Revolution

by Heather Lehr Wagner

YA 955.053 WAG

The Iranian Revolution's role in propelling Iran from a monarchy to a theocracy dramatically altered life in Iran, and its aftermath continues to shape the politics of the Middle East today. 112 pages

Until We Are Free

by Shirin Ebadi

BIO EBADI

The first Muslim woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize, Shirin Ebadi, tells her story of courage and defiance in the face of a government out to destroy her, her family, and her mission: to bring justice to the people and the country she loves. 286 pages

Things I've Been Silent About

by Azar Nafisi

BIO NAFISI

Nafisi's story of growing up in Iran, of her life lived in thrall to a powerful and difficult mother, all against the background of Iran during a time of revolution and change. 336 pages

The Complete Persepolis

by Marjane Satrapi

GRAPHIC NOVELS BIO SATRAPI

Marjane Satrapi describes growing up in Tehran in the 1980s—a time of political upheaval and vast contradictions between public and private life. 341 pages

IRAQ

Poppies of Iraq

by Brigitte Findakly

YA COMICS FINDAKLY

The story of the author's relationship with her homeland Iraq, from her childhood to mounting political unrest and her family's choice to move to Paris, where she finds herself not quite belonging to either culture. 120 pages

Iraq

by Byron Augustin

YA 956.7 AUG

This book covers topics such as Iraq's history, culture, geography, environmental issues and wildlife, industry, people, and current political situation. 144 pages

A Stranger in Your Own City

by Ghaith Abdul-Ahad

956.7044 ABD

An award-winning journalist's powerful portrait of his native Baghdad, the people of Iraq, and twenty years of war. 409 pages

The Beekeeper: Rescuing the Stolen Women of Iraq

by Dunya Mikhail

956.7044 MIK

The harrowing stories of several women who managed to escape the clutches of Daesh (ISIS) with the help of an unlikely hero: a beekeeper, who uses his knowledge of the local terrain and a wide network of transporters to bring these women to safety. 211 pages



A Cave in the Clouds

by Badeeah Hassan Ahmed

YA BIO AHMED

Just 18 when ISIS invaded her village and took her from her home, Badeeah tells her story of war and survival, raising awareness about the acts of genocide of the Yazidi people. 234 pages

IraqiGirl: Diary of a Teenage Girl in Iraq

by IraqiGirl

YA BIO IRAQI-GIRL

Collects the online journal of Hadiya, a fifteen-year old girl living in Mosul, who shares her reflections on family, friends, and the devastation of the war on her home town. 205 pages

ISRAEL AND PALESTINE

Where the Streets Had a Name

by Randa Abdel-Fattah

J F ABDEL-FATTAH

As she attempts to go to her ancestral home in Jerusalem, 13-year-old Hayaat of Bethlehem faces checkpoints, curfews, and the travel permit system designed to keep people on the West Bank. 313 pages



The Lemon Tree

by Sandy Tolan

J INFO 956.94 TOL

In 1967, Bashir travels to Israel to see the home from which his family fled during the Israeli war for independence, and forms an unlikely friendship with Dalia, whose family came to Israel from Europe after the Holocaust and now live in Bashir's former home. 196 pages

Ronit & Jamil

by Pamela L. Laskin

YA F LASKIN

Ronit, an Israeli girl, and Jamil, a Palestinian boy, fall desperately in love despite the generations of conflict and the concrete blockade between them and face the choice to save their lives or their forbidden love. 183 pages



Against the Loveless World

by Susan Abulhawa

F ABULHAWA

A young Palestinian refugee slowly becomes radicalized while searching for a better life for her and her family throughout the Middle East. 366 pages



Salt Houses

by Hala Alyan

F ALYAN

Salma reads her daughter's future in a cup of coffee dregs. While Salma keeps her predictions to herself, they will all soon come to pass when the family is uprooted in the wake of the Six-Day War of 1967. 312 pages

Determined to Stay

by Jody Sokolower

YA 305.235 SOK

Silwan is a Palestinian village located just outside the Old City of Jerusalem. Silwani youth and community members share their lives, helping readers understand Palestinian history and current reality. 229 pages.

Queens of Jerusalem

by Katherine Pagonis

920.0569 PAN

Explores the lives of the ruling women of Outremer from the year 1099 to Saladin's conquest of Jerusalem in 1187. 250 pages

The Arab-Israeli War Since 1948

by Alex Woolf

YA 956.04 WOO

This book seeks to relate the overall events and chronology of the Arab-Israeli War and show its impact on everyday lives. 80 pages.

Understanding the Holy Land

by Mitch Frank

YA 956.94 FRA

A comprehensive review of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict including the area's history, its people, significant events, as well as maps and photographs. 152 pages

Israel

by Martin Hintz

YA 956.94 HIN

A broad look at the region including a description of the geography, plants, animals, history, economy, and the language of Israel. 144 pages

Unsettled: The Problem of Loving Israel

by Marc Aronson

YA 956.9404 ARO

An exploration of the history of Israel, its relationships with neighboring countries, and questions about what Israel should be. 184 pages

The Creation of the State of Israel

by Myra Immell

YA 956.9404 CRE

Using primary and secondary sources, background information about the events surrounding the establishment of Israel are presented. 219 pages

Palestine 1936

by Oren Kessler

956.9404 KES

Covers the Great Arab Revolt of 1936 in the Holy Land, which lasted three years, cost thousands of lives—Jewish, British, and Arab—and cast the trajectory for the Middle East conflict ever since. 317 pages

A Brief History of Israel

by Bernard Reich

YA 956.9405 REI

Provides an overview of the history of Israel, exploring the historical background, the current Arab-Israeli conflict, domestic politics, and international relations. 395 pages

Under Jerusalem

by Andrew Lawler

956.9442 LAW

An acclaimed journalist takes readers into the tombs, tunnels and trenches of the Holy City, in this saga of biblical treasures, intrepid explorers and political upheaval. 426 pages

Young Palestinians Speak

by Anthony Robinson

YA 956.953 ROB

An overview of the history of the Israel-Palestine conflict and interviews with Palestinian children living under occupation. 118 pages

The Drone Eats with Me

by Atef Abu Saif

BIO ABU SAIF

An intimate glimpse of life during wartime, as the author, his wife, and his two young children attempt to live with a sense of normalcy, in spite of the ever-present danger and carnage that is swallowing their home. 258 pages

Mike's Place

by Jack Baxter

GRAPHIC NOVELS 363.325 BAX

Recounts the authors' experiences as filmmakers who were working on a project on Mike's Place, a Tel Aviv blues bar where Jews, Christians, and Muslims freely mingled with expatriates, and the events that led up to the destruction of the bar in a suicide bombing. 189 pages

Green Almonds

by Anaele Hermans

GRAPHIC NOVELS BIO HERMANS

Anaele, a writer, leaves for Palestine volunteering in an aid program, swinging between her Palestinian friends and her Israeli friends, sharing her thoughts and experiences in letters to her sister. 152 pages

JORDAN

Jordan

by Liz Sonneborn

J INFO 956.95 SON

Describes the geography, wildlife, history, government, economy, religion, and culture of Jordan. 144 pages

Petra: Jordan's Extraordinary Ancient City

by Fabio Bourbon

939.48 BOU

Petra is one of the most extraordinary archaeological sites in the world. This book describes every monument in detail and in context of the history of the city. 141 pages

Jordan

by Patricia Kummer

956.95 KUM

Provides an overview of the history, government, culture, and geography of Jordan from its ancient beginnings to the present day. 144 pages

A History of Jordan

by Philip Robins

956.9504 ROB

A survey of Jordan's political history begins in the early 1920s, continues through the years of the British Mandate, and traces events over the next half century to the present day. 243 pages

LEBANON

Lebanon

by Sean Sheehan

J INFO 956.92 SHE

Examines the key aspects of life in Lebanon today—its history, geography, economy, environment, language, and lifestyle—and discusses the country's existence in the global community. 144 pages

House of Stone

by Anthony Shadid

306.0956 SHA

Tells the story of rebuilding the author's ancestral home in Lebanon amid political strife, and his eventual understanding of the emotions behind the turbulence in the Middle East. 311 pages

Lebanon

by Terri Willis

YA 956.92 WIL

A profile of the country of Lebanon and its culture, religion, history, people, government, geography, and economy. 144 pages

I Remember Beirut

by Zeina Abirached

GRAPHIC NOVELS 956.92 ABI

The author recounts her experiences growing up in Beirut during the civil war in the 1980s as her family tried to carry on a normal life despite living in a war zone. 96 pages

PAKISTAN

Amal Unbound

by Aisha Saeed

J F SAEED

In Pakistan, Amal holds onto her dream of being a teacher even after becoming an indentured servant to pay off her family's debt to the wealthy and corrupt Khan family. 226 pages

Written in the Stars

by Aisha Saeed

YA F SAEED

Naila's vacation to visit relatives in Pakistan turns into a nightmare when she discovers her parents want to force her to marry a man she's never met. 284 pages

Pakistan

by Ann Heinrichs

YA 954.91 HEI

Discusses the geography and climate, history, wildlife, economy, government, people, religion, and culture of Pakistan. 144 pages

The Nine Lives of Pakistan

by Declan Walsh

954.91 WAL

Declan Walsh's electrifying portrait of Pakistan after 9/11 captures the sweep of this 'strange, wondrous and benighted country' through the dramatic lives of nine fascinating individuals. 337 pages

The Upstairs Wife

by Rafia Zakaria

954.9183 ZAK

A Pakistani journalist and human rights activist now living in America, Zakaria tells the tale of Pakistan's history of military rule and Islamist misogynist oppression through the stories of her own family members. 251 pages

 **I am Malala**

by Malala Yousafzai

YA BIO YOUSAFZA

When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education. On October 9, 2012, she almost paid the ultimate price. 240 pages

Let Her Fly

by Ziauddin Yousafzai

BIO YOUSAFZA

The father of Malala Yousafzai traces his journey from an unconfident, stammering little boy living in a mud hut in Pakistan to a man who has broken with tradition and proven there are many faces of feminism. 169 pages

 **A Different Kind of Daughter**

by Maria Toorpakai

BIO TOORPAKA

A woman discusses how she passed as a boy to play the sport she loved, thus becoming an example in her country's fierce battle over women's rights. 355 pages

SAUDI ARABIA

 **A Girl Like That**

by Tanaz Bhathena

YA F BHATHENA

In Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, 16-year-old half-Hindu/half-Parsi Zarin Wadia desperately wants to grow up and move out of her aunt and uncle's house, perhaps realizing too late that Porus, another non-Muslim Indian who risks deportation, could help her escape. 378 pages

Saudi Arabia

by Hunt Janin

YA 953.8 JAN

An overview of Saudi Arabia and its history, culture, economy, art, people, government, and more. 144 pages

Mecca: The Sacred City

by Ziauddin Sardar

953.8 SAR

The history of Mecca from its origins as a barren valley in the desert to its evolution as a trading town and its sudden emergence as the religious center of a world empire. 408 pages

Growing Up in Saudi Arabia

by Barbara Sheen

YA 953.8 SHE

An overview of the country as well as insights into how Saudi youth experience home and family, education and work, social life, and more. 78 pages

Modern Saudi Arabia

by Valerie Anishchenkova

953.805 ANI

Examines contemporary and historical Saudi Arabia, including the country's geography, history, government and politics, religion, food, etiquette, media, and much more. 365 pages

 **In the Land of Invisible Women**

by Qanta Ahmed

BIO AHMED

After unexpectedly being denied a visa to remain in the United States, a Western trained Muslim doctor discovers what it means for a woman to live in the Saudi Kingdom. 454 pages

 **Daring to Drive**

by Manal Sharif

BIO SHARIF

The memoir of Mana al-Sharif, who relates how she publicized a protest movement, the Women2Drive campaign, with a video recording of herself driving a car, and became an accidental activist. 289 pages.

SYRIA

 **Zenobia**

by Morten Durr

J COMICS DURR

When the Syrian war reaches Amina's village, she is forced to escape. During her perilous journey, she thinks of the brave warrior Zenobia to remind her to stay strong. 93 pages

Welcome to the New World

by Jake Halpern

YA COMICS HALPERN

After escaping a Syrian prison, Ibrahim and his family fled the country, and landed in JFK airport on November 8, 2016, thinking they had finally reached safety. Instead, they woke to the world of Donald Trump and a Muslim ban that severed them from their family members still stranded in exile. 179 pages

Escape from Syria

by Samya Kullab

YA COMICS KULLAB

A fictionalized account of a family fleeing war-torn Syria after their home in Aleppo is destroyed. They endure wretched refugee camps, ocean crossings, swindlers—all to find safety in the West. 96 pages

Freedom Hospital

by Hamid Sulaiman

GRAPHIC NOVELS SULAIMAN

In the wake of Arab Spring, Yasmine has set up a clandestine hospital in the north of the country, where things are relatively stable. As the months pass, the situation becomes increasingly complex and violent. 283 pages

No Refuge for Women

by Maria von Welser

305.9069 WEL

Journalist Maria von Welser reveals the stories of some of the Syrian women and children who make up over half of the population of refugee camps. 270 pages

Syria

by Patricia K. Kummer

YA 956.91 KUM

Describes the geography, climate, history, wildlife, economy, government, people, religion, and culture of the Middle Eastern nation of Syria. 144 pages

The Syrian Conflict

by Michael Capek

YA 956.9104 CAP

Covers the struggle that erupted in Syria in early 2011, discussing the key players, the underlying causes, and the continuing human toll of the violence. 112 pages



Daughters of Kobani

by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon

956.9104 LEM

The story of how an all-female Kurdish militia drove ISIS from the Syrian town of Kobani, empowering the women of that region and earning the respect and support of U.S. Special Operations Forces. 254 pages

Syria: A History of the Last Hundred Years

by John McHugo

956.9104 MCH

Charts the history of Syria from World War I to the present, documenting the nation's attempts at independence, the consequences of the Cold War and the Arab-Israeli conflicts, the rise of ISIS, and the rule of the Assad regimes. 291 pages

We Crossed a Bridge and It Trembled

by Wendy Pearlman

956.9104 PEA

Chronicles the war in Syria from its origins to its present horror through interviews with hundreds of Syrians whose lives have been transformed by its outbreak. 290 pages

The Pianist from Syria

by Aeham Ahmad

BIO AHMAD

An astonishing but true account of a pianist's escape from war-torn Syria to Germany offers a deeply personal perspective on the most devastating refugee crisis of this century. 240 pages

The Home That Was Our Country

by Alia Malek

BIO MALEK

Syrian-American journalist Alia Malek chronicles her return to her family home in Damascus, bringing to light the triumphs and failures that have led Syria to where it is today. 334 pages



Butterfly: From Refugee to Olympian, My Story of Rescue, Hope, and Triumph

by Yusra Mardini

BIO MARDINI

Yusra Mardini saved the lives of her fellow refugees when she bravely dove into the water and towed their sinking boat towards Greece. Now an Olympic athlete and Goodwill Ambassador, she tells her story. 284 pages

A Hope More Powerful than the Sea

by Melissa Fleming

YA BIO ZAMEL

The story of a young Syrian refugee's attempt to reach Sweden, focusing on her ordeal in icy waters after the dilapidated fishing vessel in which she was traveling—along with 500 others—sinks. 290 pages

↓ The Unwanted: Stories of the Syrian Refugees

by Don Brown

YA COMICS 956.9104 BRO

The award-winning depiction of the heartbreaking horror and hope in the ongoing Syrian refugee crisis, as resentment in host nations heightens as disruption and the cost of aid grows. 112 pages

Escaping Wars and Waves

by Olivier Kugler

GRAPHIC NOVELS 362.8709 KUG

A chronicle of the experiences of Syrian refugees housed in camps in Iraqi Kurdistan, Greece, France, Germany, Switzerland, and England. 79 pages

TURKEY

↪ ↓ Snow

by Orhan Pamuk

F PAMUK

After years of lonely political exile, Turkish poet Ka returns to Istanbul to attend his mother's funeral and learns about a series of suicides among pious girls forbidden to wear headscarves. 425 pages

There Was and There Was Not

by Meline Toumani

327.561 TOU

A young Armenian-American goes to Turkey in a “love thine enemy” experiment that becomes a transformative reflection on how we use—and abuse—our personal histories. 286 pages

Turkey

by Sean Sheehan

YA 956.1 SHE

An overview of the country of Turkey, including descriptions of its geography, history, government, economy, religion, culture, and more. 144 pages

The Last Ottoman Generation and the Making of the Modern Middle East

by Thomas De Waal

956.03 PRO

A study of this crucial period in Middle Eastern history, showing how the seeds were sown for many of the conflicts which have defined the Middle East in the late twentieth and early twenty-first centuries. 292 pages

Great Catastrophe

by Thomas De Waal

956.6201 DEW

Examines the changing narratives and politics of the Armenian Genocide and tells of recent efforts by Armenians, Kurds, and Turks to cope with the disaster as Turkey enters a new post-Kemalist era. 298 pages

The Road from Home

by David Kherdian

YA BIO KHERDIAN

A biography of the author's mother concentrating on her childhood in Turkey before the Turkish government deported its Armenian population, her struggle for survival, and journey to the United States. 144 pages

Dare to Disappoint

by Ozge Samanci

YA COMICS BIO SAMANCI

In her unpredictable and funny graphic memoir, Ozge recounts her story using inventive collages, weaving together images of the sea, politics, science, and friendship. 190 pages

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

United Arab Emirates

by Barbara A. Somervill

J INFO 953.57 SOM

An introduction to the geography, history, government, economy, culture, and peoples of the United Arab Emirates. 144 pages

↓ **Sleepless in Dubai**

by Patel, Sajni

YA F PATEL

Nikki, an aspiring photographer, thinks she is embarking on a trip of a lifetime to Dubai to celebrate Diwali, until she finds out Yash, the boy-next-door with whom she has a rocky history, is also taking part. 278 pages

Abu Dhabi

by Pippa Sanderson

953.57 SAN

This photographic guide presents the recent history of the emirate and describes some of the changes that have taken place, resulting in a city of contrasts, an intriguing mix of old and new. 144 pages

United Arab Emirates

by Liz Sonneborn

YA 953.57 SON

An introduction to the United Arab Emirates, including descriptions of its geography, history, government, economy, religion, culture, people, and more. 144 pages

YEMEN

Yemen

by Ann Hestler

J INFO 953.3 HES

An introduction to Yemen, including descriptions of its geography, history, government, economy, religion, culture, people, and more. 144 pages

Yemen: Jewel of Arabia

by Charles Aithie

915 AIT

Combining outstanding photographic skills with assiduous research, this book takes the reader on a fascinating journey through Yemen. 212 pages

Yemen: The Unknown Arabia

by Tim Mackintosh-Smith

953.3 MAC

A writer who spent 13 years living among the Yemenis relates the story of a completely original Arab country—one that defies all stereotypes. 280 pages

Yemen

by Liz Sonneborn

YA 9533 SON

An introduction to the geography, history, government, economy, culture, and peoples of Yemen, including a timeline and a list of fast facts. 144 pages

↶ ↓ **I am Nujood, Age 10 and Divorced**

by Nujood Ali

BIO ALI

Yemen's first child bride to win a divorce describes her forced marriage to an abusive husband three times her age, her daring pursuit of the marriage's dissolution, and the risks girls face in Yemeni society. 188 pages

↶ ↓ **The Monk of Mokha**

by Dave Eggers

BIO ALKHANSH

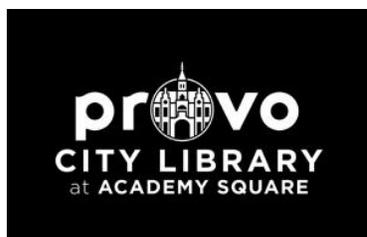
The true story of a young Yemeni-American man, raised in San Francisco, who dreams of resurrecting the ancient art of Yemeni coffee but finds himself trapped in Sana by a civil war. 327 pages

↶ **The Fox Hunt**

by Mohammed Samawi

BIO SAMAWI

The son of middle-class Shiite doctors describes his harrowing escape from regional fanaticism and civil unrest through a daring plan engineered on social media by a small group of Western interfaith activists. 324 pages



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