

## Arabic Language and Culture Internet Resources

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<http://www.cloudnet.com/~edrbsass/edwor.htm>
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[http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/resabout/culture/7\\_languages/arabic.html](http://www.ncela.gwu.edu/resabout/culture/7_languages/arabic.html)
- © American Association of teachers of Arabic “General Links” at:  
<http://www.wm.edu/aata/general.php>
- © Excellent collection of Arabic websites compiled by Abbas Al-Tonsi and Nihal Salah from American University in Cairo: <http://www.ali.aucegypt.edu/MowagaaArabia.php>

### Arab News and Culture

- Ajeeb.com: <http://english.ajeab.com/>
- Al- Bawaba: <http://www.albawaba.com/>
- Middle East Business Information: <http://www.ameinfo.com/>
- Café Arabica: <http://www.cafearabica.com/>
- LebWeb: <http://www.lebweb.com/>
- LinguaGuide Arabic: <http://www.linguaguide.com/directory/Arabic.php>
- MENA Business Report: <http://www.menareport.com/>

### Arabic dictionaries (free online):

- Arabic to English dictionary: <http://www.alburaq.net>
- English to Arabic dictionary: <http://www.alburaq.net>
- Arabic vocabulary: [www.alburaq.net](http://www.alburaq.net)
- Ectaco English-Arabic Online Dictionary  
<http://www.ectaco.com/online/diction.php3?lang=3>  
Translates from English to Arabic and visa versa.

### Arabic Language Resources

- Aghani Lakun  
<http://l7en.com/clip/raqs/index.htm> (Arabic site)  
<http://l7en.com/en/> (in English)  
A website with a comprehensive list of Arabic songs (audio and video) from all over the Arab World.
- Americans for Middle East Understanding  
<http://www.ameu.org/lexicon.asp>  
A website has a link with lexicon entries that can be helpful for Arabic teachers and students of Arabic.
- AMIDEAST  
<http://www.amideast.org/offices/kuwait/saud/arabic.htm>  
A few links to the Arabic alphabet and an alphabet poster.
- Arab Gateway  
<http://www.al-bab.com/arab/language/lang.htm>
- Arab-American Mirror  
<http://www.geocities.com/aamirror/>

- Arab World and Islamic Resources-AWAIR  
<http://www.awaironline.org/>  
Organization dedicated to the awareness of Arab and Islamic culture. AWAIR works primarily with schools, offering an wide range of informative material.
- Arabesque Educational services and products  
<http://arabesq.com/hs/arabic.html>
- Arabic 2000 (last updated in 2003)  
<http://www.arabic2000.com/>
- Arabic Alphabet Applets  
<http://www.cafe-syria.com/Alphabet.htm>  
Learn the letters of the Arabic alphabet.
- Arabic and Russian Webtest  
<http://www.cal.org/projects/webtest/>  
A three-year project from the *Center for Applied Linguistics* to develop and deliver professionally prepared listening and reading proficiency tests in Arabic and Russian via the Internet.
- Arabic Class  
<http://www.arabicclass.com/>  
This is a great website designed for the students with various links to lesson plans on many topics.
- Arabic K-12 Network (via National Capital Language Resource Center)  
<http://www.arabick12.org/>  
The Arabic K-12 Network is for teachers, administrators, foreign language professionals, researchers, parents and anyone interested in the teaching of Arabic K-12 in the U.S. We will need your help to produce the content that is so needed by Arabic teachers.
- Arabic Learning Materials Yahoo discussion group  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Arabiclearningmaterials/>
- Arabic Learning resources  
[http://www.yemenlinks.com/Arabic\\_Resources.htm](http://www.yemenlinks.com/Arabic_Resources.htm)
- Arabic Poetry: Guzzle a Ghazal  
[http://edsitement.neh.gov/view\\_lesson\\_plan.asp?id=388](http://edsitement.neh.gov/view_lesson_plan.asp?id=388)  
A lesson plan that engages students in reading and writing about an Arabic poetic form.
- Arabic teacher resources NCLRC  
[http://nclrc.org/teaching\\_materials/materials\\_by\\_language/arabic.html](http://nclrc.org/teaching_materials/materials_by_language/arabic.html)
- Arabic teaching tools: Lesson designer  
<http://www.lessondesigner.com/>
- Arabic: Vocabulary Guide  
<http://www.languageguide.org/arabic/>  
This link is part of the Language Guide website. It is a great source for vocabulary exercises.
- BABEL: Arabic  
<http://i-cias.com/babel/arabic/index.htm>  
An online course.
- Egyptiasn Arabic  
<http://www.egyptianarabic.com/institutions/index.asp>  
Resources related to Egyptian Arabic.
- Food Sources: Learning Arabic through Science  
<http://www.nclrc.org/materials/lessons/foodsources.html>  
A lesson plan for the elementary grades from NCLRC.

- Koran searching tools (Arabic/English)  
<http://www.readverse.com/>
- LangSource: A Database of Language & Culture Resources  
<http://www.langsource.umd.edu/search2.php>  
This database enables you to search for teaching materials on any topic, for any level, and even for any national standard you want to teach.
- Language learning resources portal: Linguaguide  
<http://www.linguaguide.com/>
- Let's Learn Arabic. Dr. Karima Benremouga.  
<http://www.hfac.uh.edu/mcl/karima/arabic/>  
Audio lessons on the web. You will need RealAudio in order to use these files.
- Let's Learn Arabic.  
<http://www.alrashedmall.com/learn-arabic.htm>  
A list of basic expressions with corresponding Roman transliterations.
- Madinah Arabic (Almadina al-arabiya)  
<http://www.madinaharabic.com/>  
A website for free Arabic language courses
- Marhaba: 61 different lesson plans from UPENN.  
[http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/marhaba/lesson\\_plans.html](http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/marhaba/lesson_plans.html)
- MARHABA: Welcome to the World of Arabic  
[http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/marhaba/lesson\\_plans.html](http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/marhaba/lesson_plans.html)  
Provides translations from Arabic to English, lists to teach basic Arabic vocabulary, and links to learn more about the Arabic language and culture.
- Middle East & Islamic Studies Collection: Dictionaries & Encyclopedias  
<http://www.library.cornell.edu/colldev/mideast/dictiona.htm>  
Links to several interesting resources. [Click here](#) for the Middle East and Islamic Studies Collection home page.
- Middle East Center at the University of Pennsylvania: Resources  
<http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/resources.html>
- Modern Standard Arabic Page  
<http://www.census.gov/prod/2005pubs/censr-21.pdf>  
This site is devoted to resources for studying the Arabic language. It includes an archive of Arabic-English vocabulary lists containing over 8000 individual words which are freely available for download.
- Noor Art  
<http://www.noorart.com/school-section.html>  
provides curricular materials in the Arabic language as well as for teaching the Arabic language. Noor Art also offers books, audio materials, videos, and software.
- Omniglot writing Systems: An article on the Arabic script  
<http://www.omniglot.com/writing/arabic.htm>
- Overseas Training for Arabic Teachers  
<http://www.ili.com.eg/Teacher.html>
- Religious Beliefs Made Visual: Geometry and Islam  
<http://www.askasia.org/frclsr/lessplan/1000030.htm>  
Classroom activities designed to show how Islamic art can provide important insights into the technology, scientific knowledge, and religious beliefs of Moslems. For further information about Islam, see [Chronology: Early Islam](#) and [Infoplease: Islam](#).
- SCOLA Arabic Insta -Class  
<http://www.scola.org/insta-class/arabic/>

- Teacher resources  
<http://www.arabic2000.com/>
- The Arab Culture in Review: A Global Perspective  
[http://members.tripod.com/%7EKuwait\\_1/frame.html](http://members.tripod.com/%7EKuwait_1/frame.html)  
An Internet-based project in which students assume various roles within and related to the Arab culture. It consists of five activities and an assessment.
- The Arabic World: Arabic Languages  
<http://cecilmarie.web.prw.net/arabworld/arabic/>  
Useful phrases, expressions, and words.
- The Growth of Islam  
<http://score.rims.k12.ca.us/activity/islam/index.html>  
A SCORE Cyberguide providing a 7th-grade Internet-based activity. See also [Islamic Scientific Contributions to Civilization](#) for another 7th-grade activity.
- We the People of Arab Ancestry in the United States.  
<http://www.census.gov/prod/2005pubs/censr-21.pdf>  
Special Report, U.S. Census Bureau, 2000. [Released in March, 2005]
- What's in an Arabic Name?  
<http://trackstar.4teachers.org/trackstar/ts/viewTrack.do?number=69192&nocache=31523803>  
English translations of Arabic names.

#### **For students of Arabic**

- Arab Student Organizations  
<http://www.ieor.berkeley.edu/~qasem/sorg.html>
- Arabesk  
<http://www.arabeskstudiesindamascus.com/>
- Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships  
<http://www.almedia.net/>
- Islamic Virtual Scool (Arabic)  
<http://islamicschool.net/>
- The Arabic Club at Saddleback College  
<http://www.geocities.com/arabclub2000/>

#### **News & Media**

- Arab Film Distribution  
<http://www.arabfilm.com/index.html>
- First Run/Icarus Films  
<http://www.frif.com/>
- List of Arabic Language Newspapers at ThePaperboy.com  
[http://www.thepaperboy.com/countrysearch\\_new.cfm?PaperLanguageSearch=Arabic](http://www.thepaperboy.com/countrysearch_new.cfm?PaperLanguageSearch=Arabic)
- Mideastwire.com  
<http://www.mideastwire.com/>

#### **Organizations and Language Centers**

- American Association of Teachers of Arabic  
<http://www.wm.edu/aata/>  
Encourages communication and cooperation between teachers of Arabic and promotes study, criticism, research and instruction in Arabic language, linguistics, literature.
- American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages  
<http://www.actfl.org/>

- Arab American Chamber of Commerce  
<http://www.arabchamber.com/>
- Arab Culture and Society  
<http://www.adc.org/education/culture.htm>  
A lesson plan from the *American Arab Anti Discrimination Committee* that provides suggestions for Arab-Americans who are speaking to K-12 students/classrooms. Many of the ideas and much of the information could be adapted to an introductory lesson plan on Arab culture.
- Center for applied linguistics (CAL)  
<http://www.cal.org/>
- [Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard University](http://www.fas.harvard.edu/%7Emideast/)  
<http://www.fas.harvard.edu/%7Emideast/>  
This newsletter announces publications available for primary and secondary school teachers who are interested in teaching about the Middle East. [*newsletter is not free*]
- Middle East Center at the University of Pennsylvania:  
<http://mec.sas.upenn.edu/resources.html>
- Middle East Studies Association  
<http://fp.arizona.edu/mesassoc/>
- Middle East Network Information Center  
<http://menic.utexas.edu/>  
Covers history, culture, religion, business, and travel throughout the Middle East. Country profiles are provided.
- Moroccan American Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange  
<http://www.macece.org/>
- National Council of Organizations of Less Commonly Taught Languages  
<http://www.councilnet.org/>
- National Foreign Language Center  
<http://www.nflc.org/>
- The Arabic K-12 Teachers' Newsletter. 2004. (via National Capital Language Resource Center)  
<http://www.nclrc.org/arabic/arabicnew0406english.pdf>  
A free quarterly newsletter containing resources for teachers in Arabic K-12.
- The National Middle East Language Resource Center  
<http://nmelrc.byu.edu/index.html>  
Coordinates efforts aimed at increasing and improving opportunities for learning the languages of the Middle East. Undertakes and supports projects in areas such as teacher training, materials development, testing and assessment, integration of pedagogy and technology, study abroad, and K-12 programs.

#### **Publishers/Booksellers**

- AdabWaFan.com e-commerce  
<http://www.adabwafan.com/>
- Al- Kitaab Website  
<http://langqtss.library.emory.edu/alkitaab/>
- Al- Maktabah (Internet Bookstore)  
<http://www.almaktabah.com/>
- Arabic-Islamic Books Online  
<http://www.arabic-islamic-books.com/>
- Arabook  
<http://www.arabook.com/>

- Archway Books  
<http://archwaybooks.com/mid.htm>
- Booksellers List  
[http://almashriq.hiof.no/general/000/070/arabic\\_bookshops.html](http://almashriq.hiof.no/general/000/070/arabic_bookshops.html)
- Edebiyat, the Journal of Middle Eastern Literatures  
<http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/1475262x.asp>
- Electronic Journal of Oriental Studies  
<http://www.let.uu.nl/oosters/EJOS/EJOS-1.html>
- Gaafar & Wightwick Publishers & Advertisers  
<http://www.g-and-w.co.uk/>
- Georgetown University Press  
<http://www.press.georgetown.edu/>
- NeelwaFurat.com Online Bookstore  
<http://www.neelwafurat.com/>
- Noorart  
<http://www.noorart.com/>
- On the Origins of Arabic (Arabic supporting browser needed)  
<http://www.khayma.com/albayan/>
- Online Islamic Bookstore  
<http://www.sharaaz.com/>
- Turath  
<http://www.turathusa.com/>

#### **Religious Sites**

- Arabic Bible  
<http://www.arabicbible.com/>
- City of Light  
<http://www.moslem.org/>
- Coptic Church  
<http://www.tasbeha.org/>  
Downloadable Coptic hymns, chants, songs, liturgies, live webcasts, and liturgical life.
- Eid Greetings Cards  
[http://www.123greetings.com/events/eid\\_ul\\_fitr/eid\\_mubarak/](http://www.123greetings.com/events/eid_ul_fitr/eid_mubarak/)
- Emam Reza (A.S.) Network  
<http://www.emamreza.net/>
- Haqqani Foundation  
<http://www.naqshbandi.net/haqqani/>
- Informative links on Islam  
<http://members.aol.com/no2450/islam.html>
- Islamic Studies Website  
<http://www.arches.uga.edu/~godlas/home.html>
- Islamicity  
<http://www.islam.org/>
- Online Islamic Store  
<http://onlineislamicstore.com/>
- Quran (in Arabic)  
<http://quran.muslim-web.com/index.htm?>

- Quran (in English)  
<http://www.usc.edu/dept/MSA/quran/>
- Renaissance: Islamic Journal  
<http://www.renaissance.com.pk/>
- Simply Islam  
<http://www.simplyislam.com/>

### **Research Tools**

- Arabic Corpus BYU (Dil Parkinson)  
<http://arabiccorpus.byu.edu/>
- Buckwalter Arabic Morphological Analyzer Version 1  
<http://www.gnu.org/copyleft/gpl.html>
- World City Information  
<http://www.go4travel.com/>
- www.the-science-lab.com  
<http://www.the-science-lab.com/>

### **Software & Information Technology**

- Arabicizing Windows: Enabling Windows to Read and Write Arabic  
<http://www.nclrc.org/inst-arabic3.pdf>
- Arabeyes.org  
<http://www.arabeyes.org/>
- Aramedia Arabic Software  
<http://arabicsoftware.net/>
- BYU Creativeworks Catalog  
<http://creativeworks.byu.edu/hrc>
- FSI Language Courses  
<http://www.multilingualbooks.com/fsi.html>
- <http://www.summitsoft.co.uk/>
- Sakhr  
<http://www.sakhr.com>
- Tareq: Basic multimedia Arabic course  
<http://www.arabic-course.com/>

### **Translators**

- American Translators Association  
<http://www.atanet.org/bin/view.pl/181.html>
- Language Translation Service  
<http://www.language-translation-service.net/>
- Tarjim.com online translation (Arabic supporting browser needed)  
<http://tarjim.ajeab.com/ajeab/default.asp?lang=1>
- The American Institute of Arabic Language & Co.  
<http://www.wm.edu/aata/AIALC.php>
- YourDictionary online translation  
<http://www.yourdictionary.com/languages/afroasia.html>

**Web-based, Online Learning**

- Almedia: <http://www.almedia.net/>
- Arab Academy: <http://www.arabacademy.com/>
- BABEL:arabic: <http://i-cias.com/babel/arabic/index.htm>
- Maxos: <http://hmaxos.com/>
- NaturalArabic: <http://www.naturalarabic.com/>  
A collection of topical news stories (updated weekly) from Arabic newspapers, with parallel English translations and recordings by native Arabic speakers. Users can click on any word to hear it read aloud and see the translation highlighted or they can play the whole recording to hear it read at natural speed.
- School Arabia: <http://www.schoolarabia.com/>
- The Arabic Cyberclassroom: <http://www.arabic2000.com/school/>

**Palestinian Info Sites**

- Aljazeera.info  
<http://www.aljazeera.info/>
- Maps of Palestine  
<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~gov46/>
- Miftah  
<http://www.miftah.org/arabic/>
- Palestinian Ministry of Information  
<http://www.minfo.gov.ps/>
- The Paltel Virtual Gallery at Birzeit University  
<http://virtualgallery.birzeit.edu/>
- Zajel Youth Exchange Program  
<http://www.zajel.org/>