**Middle East History Topics**

**People (Their Past and Present Events)**

1. The Persians
2. The Kurds
3. The Bedouins
4. Arabs
5. Role of Women in Saudi Arabia
6. Role of Women in Israel
7. Role of Women in Syria
8. Role of Women in Iran
9. Role of Women in Iraq
10. Role of Women in Pakistan
11. The Afghan Girl
12. Osama bin Laden
13. Anwar Sadat of Egypt
14. Golda Meir
15. Salman of Saudi Arabia
16. Benazir Bhutto (First Female Leader of Pakistan)
17. Muhammad the founder of Islam
18. Abraham the founder of Judaism
19. Jesus the founder of Christianity

**History: (Timeline Review, Focus on the Most Important Events) Dates Important**

1. The Ottoman Empire 1300s
2. The Ottoman Empire 1500s
3. The Ottoman Empire WWI 1914
4. Shia and Sunni Conflict
5. Israel and Palestine Conflict Arab-[Israel](http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/asia/il.htm)i war develops after Israel declares independence
6. Persian Gulf War
7. The History of Zionism in Europe
8. AL-Qaeda and 9-11
9. Operation Iraqi Freedom
10. The History of Jews in the Middle East and the Creation of Israel
11. Syrian uprising; thousands of citizens protest for the overthrow of the government; widespread marches, hunger strikes, rioting, and vandalism
12. The History of Oil in the Middle East
13. The UN partition of Palestine
14. Israel and Arab Conflict
15. The Importance of Jerusalem to Jews
16. The Importance of Jerusalem to Arabs
17. The Importance of Jerusalem to Christians
18. Middle East Water Conflict
19. The Taliban

**Today’s Events: What is the conflict? How did it begin? Why is it a conflict? How is it changing the world?**

1. Shari Law
2. ISIS
3. The Refugee Crisis in Israel
4. Syrian Refugee Crisis
5. Oil in the Middle East
6. The role of religion in governments like Iran. How does it work?