

The Islamic World

Goals & Objectives

At the end of this unit, students will be able to:

- Understand how geographic features like deserts and oases affected Arab and Islamic culture.
- Describe the development of Islam and its spread through the Middle East.
- Explain the core teachings of the Qu'ran, including the five pillars of Islam.
- Understand what the Sunnah is and how it is used in Islamic practice.
- Describe the three Islamic Empires, including the Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughlad Empires.
- Know the difference between Sunni and Shi'a Islam.
- Identify the cultural achievements in science, philosophy, math, medicine, literature, and the arts.