

## Building Vocabulary

wadi	Tigris River	Golan Heights
Dead Sea	Euphrates River	Jordan River
Rub al-Khali	salt flat	oasis
drip irrigation	desalinization	crude oil
refinery	fossil water	

### A. Sentence Completion

Select the term that best completes the sentence.

- Thousands died in the 1967 war when Syria and Israel fought for control of the \_\_\_\_\_, also called Al Jawlan, a hilly plateau overlooking the Jordan River and the Sea of Galilee.
- Tumbling down from the mountains of Lebanon near Mount Hermon, the \_\_\_\_\_ provides one of the most precious resources in the entire region—water.
- An \_\_\_\_\_ is an area in the desert where vegetation is found because water is available, usually from underground springs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is the practice of using small pipes that slowly drip water just above ground to conserve water use for crops.
- In Southwest Asia \_\_\_\_\_ has little chance of being replaced because the region has so little rainfall to recharge the aquifers.

### B. Matching

Match the definition in the second column with the word in the first column. Write the appropriate letter next to the word.

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| _____ 1. wadi           | a. petroleum that has not been processed                                |
| _____ 2. Tigris River   | b. a vast desert on the Arabian Peninsula                               |
| _____ 3. Dead Sea       | c. a landlocked salt lake   |
| _____ 4. Rub al-Khali   | d. the Dasht-e Kavir and Dasht-e Lut deserts in Iran                    |
| _____ 5. salt flats     | e. one of two rivers that supported several ancient river civilizations |
| _____ 6. desalinization | f. it converts crude oil into useful products                           |
| _____ 7. crude oil      | g. a riverbed that remains dry except during the rainy season           |
| _____ 8. refinery       | h. the removal of salt from ocean water                                 |

- ### C. Writing About Geography
- Imagine you are an agriculture specialist who has to irrigate arid land near a dry river bed in Southwest Asia. Using each of the following terms correctly, write a report that lists possible ways to supply water for the land. Then recommend one of these methods and give reasons for your recommendation. Use the back of this page and underline each term you use.

wadi  
fossil water

drip irrigation

desalinization

*on the back, define the term: refinery*

**Chapter 22 Religion, Politics, and Oil** *In-Depth Resources: Unit 7*

## Building Vocabulary

Mecca	OPEC	Islam
Muhammad	theocratic	mosque
Western Wall	Zionism	Dome of the Rock
Taliban	Mesopotamia	Kurds
Sunni	Shi'ite	Palestine Liberation Organization

**A. Sentence Completion** Select the term that best completes the sentence.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the holiest city of Islam.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a Muslim place of worship.
3. Jews believes that the \_\_\_\_\_ is where Abraham, a Jewish forefather, prepared to sacrifice his son Isaac to God.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the land between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ claim a homeland in parts of Turkey, Iran, and Iraq.

**B. Matching** Match the definition in the second column with the word in the first column. Write the appropriate letter next to the word.

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|-----------------------|---|
| _____ 1. Islam        | a. an organization that helps members control worldwide oil prices                                      |
| _____ 2. Muhammad     | b. a very strict Muslim group   |
| _____ 3. theocratic   | c. a portion of the Second Temple   |
| _____ 4. OPEC         | d. an organization that has used political and military means to take possession of Arab land in Israel |
| _____ 5. Western Wall | e. one of the two main branches of Islam  |
| _____ 6. Zionism      | f. a movement that helped to create and support a Jewish homeland in Palestine                          |
| _____ 7. PLO          | g. one of the three monotheistic religions  |
| _____ 8. Sunni        | h. a system in which religious leaders control the government   |
| _____ 9. Taliban      | i. the founder of Islam   |

**C. Writing About Geography** Using each of the following terms correctly, write a brief history of Islam. Use the back of this page and underline each term you use.

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|------------------|------------|-------|
| Mecca            | Muhammad   | Sunni |
| Shi'ite          | theocratic | Islam |
| Dome of the Rock |            |       |

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## Building Vocabulary

stateless nation

Gaza Strip

West Bank

guest workers

Palestinians

strategic commodity

human resources

### A. Sentence Completion

- Select the term that best completes the sentence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ are Arabs who lived or still live in the area formerly called Palestine and now called Israel.
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ is a strip of land on the west side of the Jordan River.
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ is a territory along the Mediterranean Sea just northeast of the Sinai Peninsula.
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ is a resource so important that nations will go to war to ensure its steady supply.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ are the skills and talents of the people.

### B. Matching

- Match the definition in the second column with the word in the first column. Write the appropriate letter next to the word.
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|------------------------------|--|
| _____ 1. guest workers       | a. laborers who fill jobs in Southwest Asia that native peoples find culturally or economically unacceptable       |
| _____ 2. stateless nation    | b. resources that are developed by education   |
| _____ 3. Palestinians        | c. a vital resource, such as oil   |
| _____ 4. strategic commodity | d. a group of Arabs who live in relocation camps in Israel, in other parts of the region, and throughout the world |
| _____ 5. human resources     | e. a nation of people without a land to legally occupy   |

### C. Writing About Geography

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