

Middle East 101 - “What You Need to Know”

Time: 1 day (six hours)

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Topics:

- Geographic Overview (1 hour)
 - Persian Gulf/Arabian Peninsula
 - Levant
 - North Africa
- Creation of the Modern Nations of the Middle East “Drawing Lines on Maps” (2 hours)
 - The British Legacy
 - Iraq
 - Jordan
 - Mandatory Palestine
 - The French Legacy
 - Syria
 - Lebanon
 - The Persian Gulf
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Kuwait
 - The Trucial States
- Oil and Water Don’t Mix (1 hour)
 - The Nile
 - The Tigris and Euphrates
 - The Golan Heights
 - Southern Lebanon
- Religions of the Middle East (1 hour)
 - Judaism
 - Christianity
 - Islam
 - Sunni
 - Shi’a
- Challenges and Opportunities for American Foreign Policy (1 hour)
 - Iran
 - The Peace Process
 - WMD and Missile Proliferation