

Daily Life in Early Arabia PowerPoint

Main Idea (Objective): ***The deserts, coastline and oases of Arabia helped shape the Arab way of life.***

- _____ stretches over most of the _____ peninsula
- The _____ is intense and travelers are at the whim of blinding _____.
- Water is only found at _____...green areas fed by underground _____.
- Not all of Arabia is _____ however...
- In the _____ of the southwest, enough _____ falls to support plants such as juniper and _____ trees.
- To _____ the harsh environment, _____ formed into _____....which are groups of people related by _____ ties and who are completely _____ to each other.
- The tribes' leaders were called a _____

Questions:

What is an oasis?

How are these Oases able to survive?

Who are the Bedouins?

- Some Arabs were desert _____....they traveled to water to _____ their _____ , goats and sheep, they traveled from _____ to oasis.
- Their herders were called _____. (Bed-oo-winz)
- Today many _____ still roam the desert and live in _____.
- Bedouins in the past lived in _____ and ate what they could _____ (find)...died _____ and nuts. They also drank the _____ of their animals.
- Only rarely would they eat _____...their animals were much to _____ to be used as food.

Questions

What is a herder?

Why do you think a herder's animals are more valuable alive than used as food?

Trade and Towns

- Many Arabs lived in _____ where they farmed or raised _____.
- These villages were located near _____ or in the northern _____ area
- Some of the villagers were _____ who transported _____ across the desert
- To fend off attacks by _____, many Arabs traveled in _____
- Caravan - _____
- By about 500 C.E., Arabian _____ handled most of the _____ between _____ and the _____ Sea
- As their _____ grew, Arab merchants founded _____ along their trade _____ in Arabia.
- Makkah, also known as _____, became the largest and _____ of the established towns.
- Mecca was a _____ for merchants and also became an extremely important _____ site...today it is located in _____
- Mecca became the _____ city in Arabia, holding within its walls the most _____ place in the _____
- In the middle of Makkah was the _____, a low square _____ surrounded by statues of _____ and _____.
- Essentially, the _____ is a granite brick, covered with a _____ curtain and _____ in gold and silver-wrapped thread.
- Arabs believe that the great _____ inside the Kaaba is actually from _____
- Pilgrims: _____
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- _____ is considered to be the creator of the _____ within the Islamic Religion.

Questions:

What is a caravan and how were they used in Arabia?

What was the most important town to be established in Arabia?

What is the Kaaba and why is it important?

Thinking about the Arabian Peninsula

How do you think geography shaped life in ancient Arabia?

Present that you are a **Bedouin**. What dangers lie ahead of you on your journey throughout the desert? What challenges do you have with raising your livestock in this environment? How can you create a safe trip for you and your animals?