

BELL WORK

Imagine that Germantown was located in a desert. How would your life be different?
List at least 3 examples.



OBJECTIVE & STANDARD

- **I can label the bodies of water around the Arabian Peninsula and identify the climate.**
- **7.3 Identify the physical location and features and the climate of the Arabian Peninsula. Its relationship to surrounding bodies of land and water.**

BODIES OF WATER

If you were going to create a quiz about the bodies of water and the climate around the Arabian Peninsula, what are some questions you could create?

Work with your pod.

For example...

Which continent is southwest of the Arabian Peninsula?



Geography & Origins of the Middle East



- Tigris River
- Euphrates Rivers
- Persian Gulf
- Red Sea
- Caspian Sea
- Black Sea
- Arabian Sea
- Mediterranean Sea
- North Africa

CLIMATE KEY

HOT & HUMID

(Rain Forest & Savanna)

-  No Dry Season
-  Short Dry season
-  Dry Winter



MILD & HUMID

(Mixed Forest & Grassland)

-  No Dry Season
-  Drier Winter
-  Drier Summer



COLD & HUMID

(Needle-Leaf & Mixed Forest)

-  No Dry Season
-  Drier Winter

DRY

(Steppe & Desert)

-  Semi-Arid
-  Arid

POLAR & ALPINE

(Tundra & Icecaps)

-  Peaks & Permafrost
-  Some Growth



CLIMATE MAP OF ASIA

What is the climate of the Arabian Peninsula?

CHALLENGE: What is a steppe?

DESERTS



The deserts of the Arabian Peninsula cover thousands of square miles. The Rub al-Khali (means empty quarter) covers 250,000 square miles of Saudi Arabia. This is as big as Texas!

ARABIAN PENINSULA ENVIRONMENT

- Desert- very arid (dry) & receives little rain
- Due to the climate only a small portion is used for agriculture
- The Tigris and Euphrates are considered exotic rivers because they are located in a desert

POD SHARE

A man in a tan jacket and scarf is walking through a field of red flags. The flags are flying in the wind, and the man is looking to the right. The background is a clear blue sky. The man is wearing a tan jacket and a dark scarf. He is walking on a dirt path. There are many red flags in the background, some are flying in the wind. The man is walking towards the right side of the frame. The flags are of various sizes and are scattered across the field. The man is the central figure in the image. The overall scene suggests a festival or a public event in a dry, open area.

Predict how the climate affects the culture of this region. How do you think people have adapted to their environment?

DID YOU KNOW?

- Arab herders called **Bedouins** have adapted to arid land for many years, They are nomads who move from one place to another. What do you think determines where they travel to?
- An **oasis** is an desert area that contains water.



EXIT TICKET

1. Identify three bodies of water that are located in this region.
2. How do the climate and physical features affect people's lives on the Arabian Peninsula?
3. List any two landforms located in this area.