

Islamic civilization: KS2 Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary		Altre Altre
Baghdad	Baghdad is today the capital of Iraq and was the capital of the Muslim world.	
House of Wisdom	Was a library or university where scholars from all over the world were invited to study	Ter-
mosque	A place where Muslims worship.	
Ramadan	The most sacred month in the Islamic culture. Muslims do not eat or drink between dawn and dusk.	Sticky Knowledge about the Islamic civilization
scholar	A highly educated person.	AD900
Prophet Muhammad	Muslims believe that Islam is a faith that has always existed and that it was gradually revealed to them by Muhammad.	☐ The House of Wisdom housed a library and attracted scholars from around the world who translated texts from the classical world into Arabic.
merchant	A person or company involved in wholesale trade.	□ In 762, the newly-founded city of Baghdad became the capital of the Muslim world.
manuscript	A book, document or piece of music written by hand rather than typed or printed.	 Until 1258, Baghdad was the world centre of culture and learning, with the period being known as the Golden Age of Islam.
ailments	An illness, typically a minor one.	□ Islamic scholars and inventors adopted the Hindi symbol for zero and style of numerals (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc.) which we still use today.
madrassa	A school built in, or alongside, a mosque.	
crusades	The Crusades were a series of religious wars between Christians and Muslims	■ By the 8th century Islamic scholars were using paper rather than parchment or papyrus for their writing.

Exciting Books



The House of Wisdom

- ☐ The place where scholars were invited to record their knowledge in Arabic.
- All scholars were invited, Muslim, Jews and Christians.
- Knowledge of medicine, astrology and science were the main areas studied and shared.
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- ☐ The knowledge was very advanced for its time, with cures for many serious ailments being discovered.

