1. Legend traces the Arab peoples to who? You may know these people from the Hebrew tradition?

2. Where was and is still today the Ka’aba?

3. Who are considered “People of the Book?”

4. The Angel Gabriel appeared to Muhammad at a cave in 610 and spoke the divine word of God. Those revelations became the sacred text of Islam, the ______________________.

5. What was the Hadith?

6. What are the Five Pillars of Islam? These are the basic tenets of the faith.

7. The spread of Islam was rather quick. In 622, we see the hijra. What was the hijra?

8. The umma or ______________________________ grew as more and more people converted to Islam.

9. What is Sharia Law and how did it develop?

10. Since Muhammad had not selected a successor and he had no sons, who took over after the death of Muhammad who ruled from 632-634?
11. The use of jihad was a powerful unifying force in Islam. What does jihad mean?

12. Since Islam has no forced conversions, what was the tax called that non-Muslims had to pay?

13. A caliphate in Islam represents the area ruled by a caliph who is the temporal or earthy leader of Islam. Who founded the Umayyad Caliphate?

14. The Abbasid Caliphate will follow the Umayyads. The Abbasids have been credited with intellectual, cultural, and literary advancements. The Golden Age of Islam is associated with Harun al-Rashid. What are some of the achievements associated with him?

15. The Abbasids will have many who challenge their authority. One such group were the Mamluks. Who were the Mamluks?

16. The Byzantines will come in contact with the Seljuq Empire, which had taken portions of the Abbasid Caliphate, at the Battle of Manzikert. What happened at this battle?

17. After the Byzantine defeat at Manzikert, who did the Byzantines ask for help?

18. Who was Shajar al-Durr?