



WORLD FOR KIDS

FOCUS: Middle East (Sudan)

→ SUDAN



Sudan is the second largest country on the continent of Africa, with beautiful mountains, and the birthplace of the mighty Nile River.

Even though its on the African continent, it is an Arab country, so it's culture and customs are more like the people in the other

regions of the Middle East. The official language is Arabic.

Though Sudanese have wonderful hospitality to guests, kids of the Sudan have been experiencing something different: war. Millions of people have died over the last 20 years. Daily life is still a struggle for most families.

This is what one Sudanese children's leaders said about kids:

The children find hope only in Christ and often must travel far to hear anything. Some children take the train into Khartoum (the capital city) on a Sunday and do not leave until 8 or 9 at night to travel home alone on the train. They go to great effort to hear the message of hope. There is no one to teach the children in the far regions ... so children might hear once, but then are not disciplined or taught at all.

Children in Sudan need help and prayer.
Will you pray for them today?



The Flag of Sudan

→ POCKET BREAD FEAST

People in the Middle East eat pocket bread (or flat bread) with most meals. Enjoy your own feast by gathering and sharing these foods with some friends:

Pocket Breads

Grated cheese, lettuce, meats, raisins, fruits

Paper plates, napkins

Offer pita pockets to each friend. Fill them with whatever fillings they like. Celebrate good food and fun.



→ WORDS TO KNOW

Try saying these Arabic words as you treat your guests:

Offwan

"Welcome"

Shookran

"Thank You"

Masalame

"Go in Peace"

LOVE: Unlocking the hearts of people so they can know Jesus!

➔GET THE FACTS

- ◆Over 4 million people live as refugees in the Middle East. That's 1000 times more than in any other region of the world.
- ◆Even though the Sudan is in North Africa, it is an Arab Nation and part of the Middle East.



➔WHAT CAN KIDS DO?

O - OFFER HELP

When we offer genuine loving help to people, their hearts open up to learn more about Jesus. We can love the people by praying for them, and by giving to help them.

➔MANNERS, PLEASE!

What kinds of things are important for good manners in your home? Do you think they are the same in the Middle East? Try to answer the questions below to find out.

- 1) When a person comes to visit your Arabic home, you should always ask about ...
 - a) their children, aunts and uncles
 - b) their elderly parents
 - c) their goats and sheep
 - d) all of the above
- 2) In an Arabic visit, when someone brings out the coffee and fresh fruit, bread or almonds, you know it is almost time to ...
 - a) give money to all the children in the room
 - b) start talking about your family
 - c) end your visit
- 3) In order to properly visit a person's home in the Arab world, you must
 - a) always wait for them to invite you
 - b) drop in unexpectedly
 - c) wear your fanciest clothes
- 4) The worst insult you can give to a person who visits your home is ...
 - a) to give them fruit instead of bread to eat
 - b) to tell them their mother looks like a goat
 - c) to not offer them coffee

Look up this Bible verse to fill in the blanks:

_____ I am! I stand
at the door and
_____. If anyone
_____ my voice
and _____ the door,
I will come _____ and
_____ with him and he
with me.

Revelation 3:20 (NIV)

ARABIC WORDS

Love:

حب

I love you:

أنا بحبك

ANSWERS: 1-d; 2-c; 3-b; 4-c