

## **Selected Reference Books for Middle East and Islamic Studies May 2008**

### **Dictionaries and Encyclopedias:**

*A Concise Encyclopedia of Islam.* Oneworld, 2002

*The Continuum Political Encyclopedia of the Middle East.* By Avraham Sela. Rev. ed., 2002

*Dictionary of the Middle East.* By Dilip Hiro. 1996

*The Encyclopedia of Islam.*  
-Uses Arabic terminology

*Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World.* Richard C. Martin, 2004.

*Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle East.* 4 vols. 1996.

*Historical Dictionary of Arab and Islamic Organizations.* By Frank A. Clements, 2001.

*Medieval Islamic Civilization: An Encyclopedia.* Josef W. Meri, editor, 2006.

*The New Encyclopedia of Islam.* Cyril Glassé. 2001  
-revised edition of the *Concise Encyclopedia of Islam*

*The Oxford Dictionary of Islam.* John Esposito, Editor in Chief, 2003.

*Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern Islamic World.* 4 vols. 1995

### **Atlases:**

*Atlas of the Middle East.* Moshe Brawer, editor, 1988

*Atlases of Islam.* Barron's Educational Series, 2003

*Atlas of the Islamic World Since 1500.* 1982  
-Part I: Islamic History. Part II: Religious life. Covers all Islamic areas.

*The Cultural Atlas of Islam.* 1986  
-Islamic culture and civilization. Tables, charts, figures and photographs.

*Cultural Atlas of Mesopotamia and the Ancient Near East.* 1990.  
-For non-specialist reader organized chronologically

*Historical Atlas of Islam*. Malise Ruthven, 2004.

**Handbooks:**

*Documentary History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*. 1991  
-Reproduced primary documents with introductions and epilogues.

*The Islamic World- Past & Present*. 3 vols. John Esposito, Editor in Chief, 2004.

*The Middle East and North Africa*. Annual  
-Gives updated information on each Middle East country

*Muslim Cultures Today: A Reference Guide*. Kathryn M. Coughlin, editor, 2006.

*Muslim Peoples: A World Ethnographic Survey*. 1984  
-190 ethnic/linguistic groups (totally or partially Muslim). Charts in appendix.

*The New A-Z of the Middle East*. By Alain Gresh and Dominique Vidal. 2004  
-Articles on major aspects of the Middle East today.

*Peoples of the World: The Middle East and North Africa*. 1991.  
-Culture, geographical setting, and historical background of 30 peoples of the Middle East and North Africa. Includes ancient and modern cultures

**Texts:**

*The Glorious Qur'an*. Translated by Mohammed Marmaduke Pickthall. 2000.

*The Holy Qur'an: Text, Translation, and Commentary*. Translated by Abdullah Yusuf Ali. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. Brentwood, MD: Amana Corp. 1989.