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*Boom town, modern marvel,  
commercial hub, where middle-  
east meets wealthy west,  
playground for tourists,  
crawling with ex-pats, built  
by Indians, owned by Arabs,  
Dubai has risen from next to  
nothing to an awful lot in  
little more than thirty  
years. How? And can it go  
on? Has it sold itself to*

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the corporate dollar? Is it anything more than a mall in the desert? Will the sands return? Joe Bennett goes to find out.

This project started as a language learning experiment. Matthew Helmke was sitting in a cafe with a Moroccan having a discussion in Moroccan Arabic. The friend told a joke and it was quickly discovered that vocabulary alone would not insure an understanding of humor. This prompted a question, "What did I miss?" In this book, Matthew Helmke explores the hidden aspects of Moroccan culture. These are the things that Moroccans know

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*inherently, without being  
taught. The result is an  
intriguing look through the  
eyes of an American trying  
to make sense of Moroccan  
culture.*

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Arabic linguistics provides  
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everyone coming to work or  
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in the midst of  
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decade alone, China joined*

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necessary to build  
successful personal and  
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values are changing rapidly-  
and why it is more important  
than ever to keep up. For  
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declined out of modesty, are  
now widely accepted in  
coastal cities; and some  
terms of address that were  
proper to use only a decade  
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*Understanding Arabs*

Understanding the Arab Culture is a thoroughly practical crosscultural guide to working with Arab cultures, written with the Westerner in mind. The book focuses more on

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the key differences than similarities,  
issues that Westerners will find  
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survey of modern Arab culture  
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processes and structures  
commonly labeled “organized  
crime,” drawing on the pertinent  
empirical and theoretical literature  
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This guide is designed for Westerners planning to visit, live or work in the Maghreb and the Middle East. The author has great experience of Arab culture and describes the patterns of change that have influenced the Arab world in recent times. She also analyzes basic Arab values religious beliefs and self-perceptions.

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meet fellow Americans of all creeds and colors, among them the Alabama football player who navigates the stringent racial mores of segregated Birmingham, where a church bombing wakes a nation to the need to make America a truly more equal place; the young wife from Ramallah -- now living in Baltimore -- who had to abandon her beautiful home and is now asked by a well-meaning American, "How do you like living in an apartment after living in a tent?"; the Detroit toughs and the potsmoking suburban teenagers, who in different



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decades become politicized and serious about their heritage despite their own wills; the homosexual man afraid to be gay in the Arab world and afraid to be Arab in America; the two formidable women who wind up working for opposing campaigns in the 2000 presidential election; the Marine fighting in Iraq who meets villagers who ask him, "What are you, an Arab, doing here?" We glimpse how America sees Arabs as much as how Arabs see America. We revisit the 1973 oil embargo that initiated the American perception of all Arabs as oil-rich sheikhs; the

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1979 Iranian hostage crisis that heralded the arrival of Middle Eastern Islam in the American consciousness; bombings across three decades in Los Angeles, Oklahoma City, and New York City that bring terrorism to American soil; and both wars in Iraq that have posed Arabs as the enemies of America. In a post-9/11 world, Arabic names are everywhere in America, but our eyes glaze over them; we sometimes don't know how to pronounce them or understand whence they come. A Country Called Amreeka gives us the faces behind those names and tells the story of a community it

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has become essential for us to  
understand. We can't afford to  
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belt where Islam meets Central  
Africa.

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Culture: A Practical Guide to  
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information to help executives  
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navigate the numerous  
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when foreign companies do  
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that describe Japanese social  
etiquette, this book goes  
straight to the cultural values  
and social customs entwined  
in Japanese capitalism that  
make their capitalism so

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business practices that will strengthen your business by drawing on the strong values of Japanese management styles and employee work ethic and much more This book is filled with page-turning practical wisdom from communication goals to negotiating, from product selection for the Japanese market to distribution services, and from management to sales. Azar provides valuable direction by Identifying Japan's culture-based differences in management and business practices to alert Western



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the book. This book will be of interest to and benefit three groups of readers: individuals with professional interests in Japan, such as those in business and government those with an academic interest in Japan, such as teachers and students of both Japanese business and culture the culturally curious and globally minded who are interested in the many diverse cultures that enrich our world This clearly structured guide will help learners who already have a basic grasp of Arabic to hone their translation skills. The texts chosen for

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world, discusses  
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contemporary Arab-

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explores recent patterns  
of change that have  
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Director, Invest in  
Sweden Agency Modern-Day  
Vikings provides a  
window into what one  
world traveler called  
the most American of  
European countries:

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two nations conceal  
essential differences.

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Lisa Werner Carr provide  
insights and strategies  
for successful

interactions with

Swedes, whether business  
or social. True to its  
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Sweden's most ingrained  
cultural traits back to  
its Viking heritage:

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fairness, egalitarianism  
and democracy. The

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through the societies



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the continuing role of  
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modern Arab culture,  
inter-Arab conflict and  
the aspiration toward  
unity, and how anti-  
Western attitudes  
conflated with anti-*

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*modernization have led to stagnation in much of the Arab world. Patai, a prominent anthropologist and historian, drew both on his research and his personal experience to produce this indispensable work in the field of Middle Eastern studies. With an updated forward by Norvell B. DeAtkine, former director of Middle East studies at the JFK Special Warfare School, The Arab Mind remains a relevant and crucial masterpiece of*

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assignment and left it  
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the Middle East, as it  
is truly an  
indispensible guide  
through a culture that  
has been around longer  
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book, you'll become  
interested in sociology  
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*names to the abundant  
examples Patai cites.  
The book deals with  
several interesting  
traits that most Arabs  
share in their inherent  
characters. These  
include the Arab  
unawareness of time,  
their tendency to speak  
more than they can  
actually deliver, their  
fixation with sex and  
their keenness to  
preserve Bedouin values  
which include preserving  
a group's honor by  
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