

**UNDERSTANDING THE LESSON****14****Recalling Facts****LESSON 3 CONTENT MASTER**

\* Read each question and write the correct answer on the blank that follows. Use complete sentences.

1. Why did Muslim rulers encourage the translation of Greek books into Arabic? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Why did the Muslims adopt the Indian numeral system? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What fields of math and science did the Muslims influence? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. What important discovery about the disease smallpox did Muslim doctors make?  
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5. Why did Muslims develop the art of calligraphy? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. How did the Muslim religion affect arts other than calligraphy? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
7. How did the people of the Middle East use carpets? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. What important buildings were constructed by the Muslims? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. What are the two oldest existing shrines of Islam? \_\_\_\_\_  
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10. How are the minarets on Muslim mosques used? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Think and Write:** What do you think was the most important achievement of the Muslims: their religion, their art, their science, or their learning? Write a paragraph supporting your opinion. You may use the back of the sheet.

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# MUSLIM HOUSES OF WORSHIP

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\* Read the following description of Muslim houses of worship. Then complete the statements below.

The Muslim houses of worship, called mosques, are among the most beautiful examples of architecture in the world. Every mosque has a tall, slender tower, or minaret, that can be seen from afar. Another prominent part of a mosque is the mihrah, or gate. The gate is often decorated

with intricate designs, and stands out from the plain front wall facing the street. A court is inside the gate and in front of the main building. Many mosques have great domed roofs. A pulpit, or mimbar, made of wood or stone, is the only furniture inside.

1. A Muslim house of worship is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The gate of a mosque is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The only furniture inside a Muslim house of worship is a pulpit, or \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Front walls of Muslim houses of worship are often \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Gates of Muslim houses of worship are often decorated with \_\_\_\_\_.
6. From far away, people can see the \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Some Muslim houses of worship have a large rounded \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Inside the gate and in front of the main building of a Muslim house of worship is a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Thinking Further:** Describe an important building in your community. Describe the building's features and what it is used for.

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