

The Middle East



Lands of the Middle East



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Imperialism, Nationalism,
and Independence



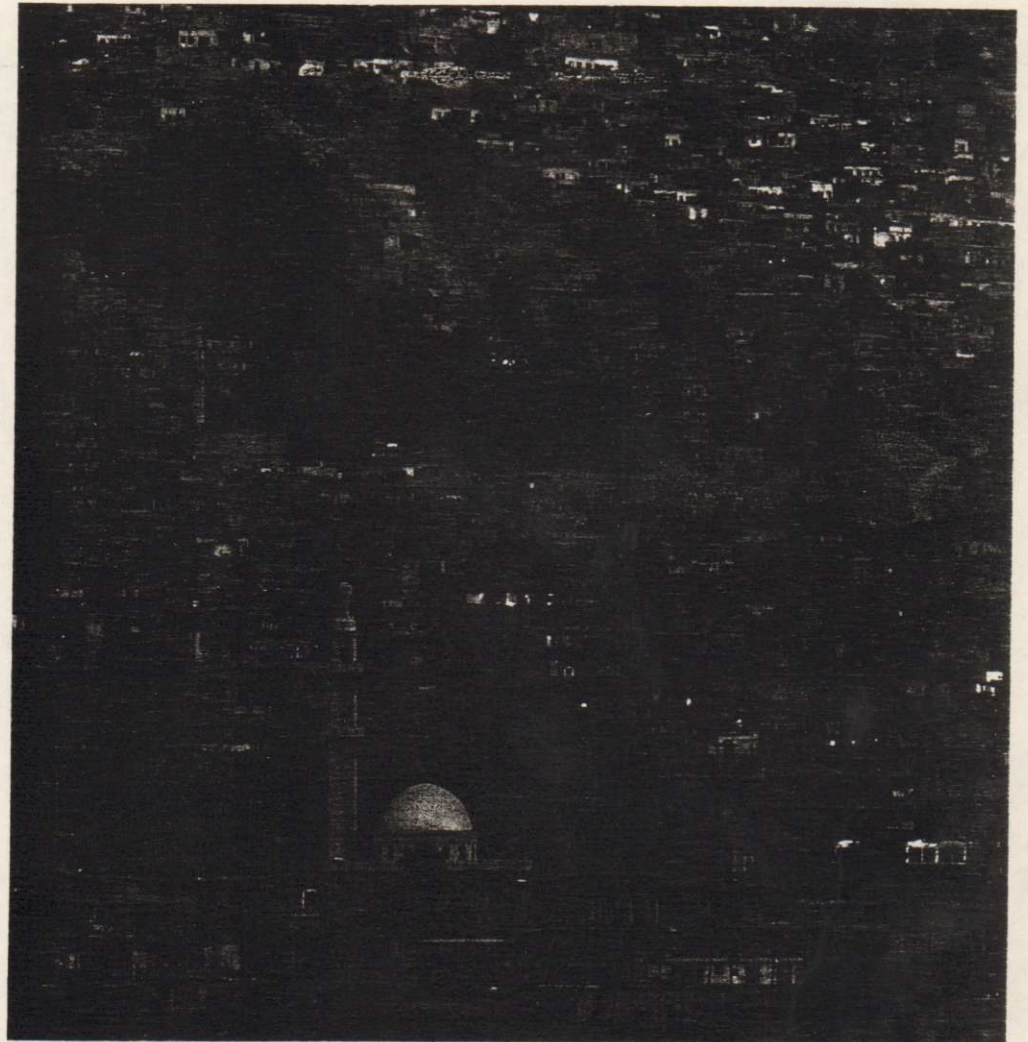
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Together, the five parts of the series give students a heightened appreciation of the cultural richness of the Middle East. The series also increases understanding of the myriad forces that contribute to the region's volatility—and to its enduring vitality.

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