

MOSQUES - KEY

1. What functions does a mosque have today? **place of worship and prayer, social gatherings, discussions, education, celebrations**
2. When were the first mosques built? **in the 7th century**
3. Name a few famous mosques and the country they are in ? Blue Mosque in Istanbul, Great Mosque of Mecca, Prophet's Mosque in Medina
4. Why kind of roof do most mosques have? **domes, dome-shaped**
5. What do most mosques have in the middle of a square building ? **a courtyard**
6. What is a minaret? **a tall thin tower at one of the corners**
7. In which direction do worshippers of a mosque face ? **they face Mecca**
8. From where does an imam deliver his speech? **a pulpit or minbar**
9. During which period were the great mosques in Turkey and the Middle East built ? **during the Ottoman Empire**
10. What must you do before you enter a mosque? **clean yourself, wash hands , take off shoes**
11. What kind of clothes must women wear in a mosque? **cover their body to their ankles and wrists**
12. How have terrorist organizations misused mosques? **as a place to recruit and train radicals**
13. How did Saudi Arabia finance the construction of mosques around the world in the 1960s? **with petrodollars; money from oil exports**
14. What kind of events take place in mosques during Ramadan? **dinners after sunset, breakfast before sunrise, all-night prayers**