

A

Abbasid
 abaya
 °*abd*
 °Abd al-°Aziz
 °Abd al-Hamid (in Arabic source;
 Abdülhamit in modern Turkish)
adab
 Aden Protectorate
ahl al-°adl wa-l-tawhīd
ahl al-bayt
ahl al-ḥadīth
 °A°isha
akhbār
 Al Sa°ud (family)
 °Alawites
 °Ali
 aliya (Hebrew)
 Allah (*Allāh* in Arabic phrase)
amān (security, protection of life)
 °Amili (as in Jabal °Amil)
 amir
 Amman
 ancien regime
 al-Andalus
anṣār
 anti-Semitic
 °*aqā°id* (creedal issues)
 °*aql*
 Arabian peninsula
 Arab renaissance
 Yasir Arafat
 arak
 archrival
 arms-sales (*adj*)
 °*ashā°* (prayer)
 Ashkenazi(m)
ashrāf (Prophet's lineage)

°Ashura°
 Asia Minor
 Azerbaijan
 Hafiz al-Asad (Syrian pres.)

B

Baalbek
Baburnama (autobiography of
 Emperor Babur)
 Ba°th Party
 Bahai (*adj + n: s + pl*)
baraka
bāṭil (invalid)
bay°a (oath, deal, agreement)
 bazaar, *bāzārī*
 bedouin (*s + pl*)
 Bekaa Valley
 Belarus
 belles-lettres
 bey
bid°a / pl. *bida°* (innovation)
 Bilad al-Sham
 black (people, studies, etc.)
 black-marketeering (*n*)
 Bosphorus
 businesspeople
 by-product

C

Camp David Accords
 caliphate
 Capitulations (Ottoman)
 casbah
 Central Asia
 20th century
 chock-full

city–state
 clientelism
 Communist/ism (except apolitical)
 companions (to the Prophet)
 co-opt
 counterbalance
 counterinsurgency
 Covenant of °Umar

D

da°wa (call)
da°wā (lawsuit)
da°īf (weak—hadith)
dār al-Islām
 the Delta
dhikr
dhimmī
 Diaspora (of the biblical Jews only;
 otherwise, diaspora)
 Diyarbakr (Arabic; Diyarbekir,
 Turkish)
dīmuqrāṭiyya
dīn
diwān
diya (blood \$)
 down payment
du°ā°
dunyā

E

East India (Company)
 Eastern Bloc
 effendi
effendiyya
 embassy; e.g. Russian embassy
 etatism

F

Faisal (Saudi king; otherwise Faysal)
faqīh / pl. *fuqahā°*
fātiha
 fatwa
 fellah / pl. fellahin
 Fertile Crescent
fiqh
firmān (imperial edict)
 firsthand
fitna
fiṭrī (innate)
 follow-up
 Free French (*adj.* + *n*)
 Free Officers' coup
fuṣhā

G

Gadhafi
 galabiya
 game-theoretical
 Gaza Strip
 Geniza (Cairo)
 geopolitical
ghurfat al-tijāra (chamber of
 commerce)
 global North/South
 GNP
 grassroots
 Great Power
 Great Seljuqs
 Great Terror (Stalin)
 Greater Lebanon
 Greater Syria
 groundbreaking

Gulf War (Persian)
the Gulf (Persian/Arabian understood)

H

Habash (approx. Ethiopia)
ḥadd
hadith
ḥaḍra (spiritual gathering)
hajj
hakim (ruler)
ḥakīm (wise)
halal
halfhearted
hammam
ḥaraka
hardheaded/hotheaded
ḥasan (fair/good—hadith)
Hashimite
Hidden Imam
hijab
Hijaz
hijra
ḥikma
ḥisba (enforcement of religious laws)
Hizbullah
Holy Land
houri
hudna (truce)
ḥudūd
Husayn (the Prophet's relative)
Hussein (Jordan & Iraq)

I

[°]*ibādāt* (religious obligations)
[°]*īd* ([°]*īd al-fiṭr*, [°]*īd al-ādhā*)
[°]*idda* (waiting period—legal)

Ifriqiya
ihyā[°] (revival)
ijāza (diploma)
ijmā^c (consensus)
ijtihād
ikhtilāf (disagreement)
ikhwān (brothers/brotherhood)
ilhām (inspiration)
Ilkhanid
[°]*ilm*
imam(ate); imaret (Turkish)
IMF
import–export
infītāḥ
the International (USSR)
Internet
intifada
Iran–Iraq War
Iranian Revolution
Islam (*Islām* in Arabic phrase)
Islamic republic
Islamic Republic of Iran
Islamicate
Isma[°]ili
isnād
istishhād

J

al-jāhiliyya (pre-Islamic period)
Jama[°]a Islamiyya
Janissaries
Jewish state
jihad
jinni/ pl. jinn
jizya (poll tax)
Judeo-Christian

K

Ka[°]ba (*al-rukṅ al-aswad*)
 kafir
 kaffiyeh
kalām
khaṭīb
 khedive
 Khomeini
khul[°] (female-prerogative divorce)
khutba
 Kifaya movement
 kufiya

L

Osama bin Laden
 laissez faire
 less-developed countries (LDC)
 Levant
 long *durée*
 long-standing
 long-term (*adj*)
 longtime (*adj*)
 Lower Egypt
 lower-middle class

M

Husni Mubarak (Egyptian pres.)
 macronational (*adj*)
madhhab / pl. *madhāhib*; *madhhabī*
 madrasa
 Maghrib(ian)
 Mahdi; Mahdist; Mahdiyya, *al-mahdī al-muntaẓar*
 Naguib Mahfouz

makhzan
maktab
majlis
majlis al-shūrā (consultive council)
 Mamluk (Egyptian dynasty)
 mamluk (slave/soldier)
 Mandate (*n/adj*, British or French occupation after WWI)
manṭiq (logic)
maqāla
maqām (stage on the path)
 Mashriq
 masjid
mawlid
 Mecca Protocol
 medina
 Messiah; messianic
 metropole
 mid-1920s
 Middle East studies
 Middle Eastern (*adj*)
 midsummer
miḥna (hardship)
 mihrab
millet (Turkish); *milla/millat* (Arabic)
minbar
(la) mission civilisatrice
Mizrahi(m)
 Mossadegh
Ma[°]alim fi al-Tariq (Milestones)
mudawwana (body of laws)
 muezzin
 mufti
 Mughal
 Muhammad
 Muharram (1st month)
 mujahidin
mukhtār (chosen one, leader)
 mulla
murīd (disciple)

murshid (spiritual guide)
musāfirūn (travelers)
 Muslim
 Mu^ctazila
mutakallimūn (*kalām* scholars)

N

nahḍa
nakba
 -nama (suffix meaning *book*)
naql (tradition)
naqlan ^can (transmitted by)
naṣīb (fate)
 Gamal Abdel Nasser
 nation-state
 neocolonial
 Night Journey
nihzat-i banuvan (women's
 movement—Persian)
al-niqābāt al-mihniyya (preferred)
 (professional associations)
 nonelite
 nonnegotiable
 Nowruz

O

occupied territories
 Old City (Jerusalem)
 ongoing
 Orient/Oriental/orientalist/orientalism
 Ottoman Empire

P

padishah

Pan-Arabism
 Pan-Islam(ic)
 per se
 Persian (language—not Farsi)
 petite bourgeoisie
 petrodollar
 Pharaonic
 PhD (CMS 15.21)
 PLO
 policymaker/making
 Porte (Sublime Porte)
 postcolonial
 postwar
 Praetorian (*adj*)
 preempt
 preexisting
 pro-government
 the (Sublime) Porte
 the Prophet (Muhammad)

Q

Qaboos (sultan of Oman)
 Qaddafi (Muammar el) (Libyan pres.)
 qadi
 al-Qa^cida
qānūn
qaṣīda
 Qasimi
al-qawmiyya al-^carabiyya (Arab
 nationalism)
qibla
al-qibla al-ta^cabbudiyya (prayer
 direction facing Mecca)
 Qizilbash
 quasi-state
 Qur'an(ic)

R

raison d'être
 Ras al-Khaimah
ra'y (subject opinion—law)
 reexamine
 rentier state
 Renaissance (European renaissance)
 Republican
 republican Turkey
 revisit
 rial
ribā (interest)
riwāya (novel)
 Royalist
 the Reconquest (of Spain)

S

Safavids
ṣadaqa
ṣahāba (companions)
ṣahīḥ (correct, sound—hadith)
ṣahwa (awakening—rare)
 Salafi (religious/political movement)
salafī
 salat (*ṣalāa* in transliterated phrases)
salnames (Ottoman state registers)
 Sanaa
sanad (moral support)
sanjak
 Sasanian
sayyid (*sāda*)
 secondhand
 security zone (Israel)
 self-interest
 Seljuq
sha^cb

Shafi^ci
 shah, but Shah when referring to Reza Pahlavi
shahāda
Shahnama (Book of Kings)
sharīf / pl. *ashrāf*
sharḥ (commentary)
 shari^ca
 shawarma
 shaykh (preferred)
 shaykh al-Islam (Turkish—sheikh ül-Islam)
 Sheb^ca farms
 Shi^ci (*n* + *adj*); Shi^ci Islam (not Shi^cism); Shi^ca (adherents)
shi^cr (poetry)
 [*sic*] (CMS 7.56)
silsila (chain of ancestry, register)
al-sīra (Muhammad bio)
siyāsa
 Sinai Peninsula
 Six Day War
 smallholder (*n*)
 socioeconomic/sociopolitical
 South Lebanon
 Southwest Asia
 state capitalism
 state feminism
 State of Israel
 status quo
 sub-Saharan(n)
 subcontinent (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, etc.)
 successors (to the Prophet)
 Sudan (not the Sudan)
 Sufi(sm)
sufūr
 Süleiman (the Magnificent)
 sultan

sunna/Sunni
suq
sura
suyurghal (Persian term for land tenure)

T

ṭabaqa (class)
tābi[°]*ūn* (successors)
tadhkara (deed)
ṭahāra (ritual purity)
taḥrīr (Ottoman registers; document, record)
tajdīd (innovation, renewal)
takfīr (excommunication)
talāq (male prerogative divorce)
Tanzimat (Ottoman reform, 1839-76)
taqlīd (imitation)
ṭarīqa (Sufi order)
taṣawwuf (mysticism)
Tehran
tezkire-i osmaniye (Ottoman id)
Third World
Timurid
top-down (*adj*)
trade-off
Transjordan
tsarist Russia
Turcoman (not Turkman)
Twelver
twelfth imam
twin-pillar policy (Nixon era)

U

[°]*ulama*[°]/*s.* [°]*ālim* (Turkish, ulema)
ultranational

umma
ummī (illiterate)
underdeveloped
[°]*unṣur* (race)
Upper Egypt
upper-middle-class status
[°]*urbūn* (down payment)
[°]*urf* (customary law)
al-[°]urūba al-shāmiliyya (Pan-Arabism)
uṣūl al-fīqh (principles of Islamic law)
[°]*Uthmāniyya* (Ottoman when in technical terms)

V

vali; *wālī* (Arabic, more common)
vizier; *wazīr* (Arabic)

W

Wafd Party
Wahhabism; Wahhabi
waḥy (inspiration, revelation)
wālī / pl. *awliyā*[°]
waqf / pl. *awqāf*; *vakıf* (Turkish)
waṭan; *vatan* (Turkish)
waḥā (revelation)
wayla (disaster)
website
Western world
Westernized
white (people)
wilāya (Turkish *vilayet*)
worldview
wujahā[°]

X

Y

Yishuv, Old/New
Young Turk

Z

zakat
zāwiya
zinā^o
Zionist lobby

WARS & TURMOIL

1919 revolution
9/11
Afghan War
Cold War
Constitutional Revolution (Iran,
Turkey)
Crusades (13th, 14th, 15th C)
Great Syrian Revolution (1920s)
Iran–Iraq War
Iraq War
Islamic or Iranian Revolution
[1979 revolution]
Israeli War of Independence
[1948 war]
Lebanese War [1982 war]
Peasant Revolt of 1919 [1919 revolt]
Persian Gulf War [Gulf War]
Reconquest [of Spain]
Six Day War [1967 war]
Suez Crisis/Suez War

tanker war
Tobacco Protest (Iran)
Turkish War of Independence
°Urabi revolt
war on terror
World War I, II
Yom Kippur War
[1973 war, October war]
Young Turk Revolution [1908
revolution]