Middle-East

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Vocabulary

Bordered: (of a country or area) be adjacent to (another country or area)

Dry: with little or no rainfall or humidity

Widely: by many people or in many places

Ethnic: denoting origin by birth or descent rather than by present nationality.

Crude: in a natural or raw state; not yet processed or refined.

Cradle: a place or process in which something originates or flourishes.

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Introduction

Middle East is a complicated place. It sits in Western Asia, **bordered** by the Mediterranean Sea. The climate is hot and **dry**. This region is an ancient one, and people have been living here for thousands of years. Many of the world's religions began here, including Islam, Christianity and Judaism.

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