Teen Life Around the World
Teen Life in the Middle East


Do you ever wonder what everyday life is like for teenagers in other countries? This series seeks to answer that question by providing an overview of life in a number of basic areas: family, education, social activities, food, recreation, entertainment, and religious practices. The value of this volume is that it does not attempt to cover the Middle East as one generalized place, but instead looks at each country separately.

Each chapter begins with an introduction to the country and a description of a typical day for a teen. The information on the areas of life goes into detail on differences between poor, middle class, and upper class families, as well as between those that are very religious or not religious.

The resource guide at the end of each chapter lists books and articles, fiction, Web sites, and pen pal/chat sites. Some black-and-white photos of teens enhance the chapters.

This is an excellent introduction to the life of 13- to 19-year-olds in other countries, some aspects of which will seem very familiar to American students and others of which will seem extremely remote. While ideal for supplementing the curriculum, this book would also be interesting for students to read on their own for information or for pleasure.

Index. Highly Recommended.

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