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| Saudi Arabia Exercises | about-the-world.org/3276 | **Video + Exercises** |

**Match terms**

*Task: Match each term with the appropriate explanation!*

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| (D) | Masmak Palace | (1) | Founder of Saudi Arabia |
| (E) | Vision 2030 | (2) | Saudi Arabia’s location |
| (E) | Abayas | (3) | Plan to diversify economy |
| (I) | Rub al-Chali | (4) | Traditional women’s dress |
| (N) | Mecca and Medina | (5) | Large sand desert |
| (P) | Abdulaziz Ibn Saud | (6) | Historical site in Riyadh |
| (R) | Arabian Peninsula | (7) | Conservative women’s clothing |
| (S) | Abaya | (8) | Holy cities in Islam |
| (T) | Compulsory education | (9) | Up to secondary level |

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**Complete sentences**

*Task: Match the beginning of each sentence with the end!*

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| (E) | Mecca and Medina are ... | (1) | ... in the Middle East. |
| (J) | Saudi Arabia is located ... | (2) | ... of Saudi Arabia. |
| (N) | The country’s culture is ... | (3) | ... climate. |
| (O) | Riyadh is the capital ... | (4) | ... Saudi Arabia in 1938. |
| (R) | Oil was discovered in ... | (5) | ... rooted in Islam. |
| (U) | Saudi Arabia has a desert-like ... | (6) | ... holy cities. |
| (Y) | Vision 2030 aims to ... | (7) | ... diversify the economy. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is Saudi Arabia’s main economic resource? |
| (C) | oil |
| (R) | technology |
| (V) | tourism |
| 2. | Where is the Masmak Palace located? |
| (A) | Riyadh |
| (B) | Mecca |
| (S) | Jeddah |
| 3. | What is the official language of Saudi Arabia? |
| (C) | Arabic |
| (N) | French |
| (R) | English |
| 4. | What type of climate does Saudi Arabia have? |
| (R) | temperate |
| (T) | desert |
| (V) | tropical |
| 5. | Which plan aims to reduce Saudi Arabia’s dependence on oil? |
| (A) | Future Strategy |
| (S) | Plan 2020 |
| (U) | Vision 2030 |
| 6. | What is the traditional women’s dress in Saudi Arabia? |
| (R) | sari |
| (S) | abaya |
| (V) | kimono |

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**Right or wrong?**

*Task: State whether the statements are true or false!*

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| right | wrong |  |
| (M) | (V) | 1. Saudi Arabia is predominantly Arab and Muslim. |
| (F) | (I) | 2. Saudi Arabia has a tropical climate. |
| (R) | (T) | 3. Women in Saudi Arabia have always had the right to drive. |
| (T) | (R) | 4. Riyadh has the Kingdom Tower. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Saudi Arabia’s economy relies heavily on oil. |
| (A) | (N) | 6. The capital of Saudi Arabia is Mecca. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

*Task: Answer the questions in one or two complete sentences!*

What is Riyadh?

What is Vision 2030?

What is special about Mecca and Medina?

What type of climate is prevalent in Saudi Arabia?

What is the Rub al-Chali?

What rights were granted to women in 2018 in Saudi Arabia?

What is the main sector of Saudi Arabia’s economy?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Saudi Arabia**

**Match terms**

Abdulaziz Ibn Saud = Founder of Saudi Arabia

Arabian Peninsula = Saudi Arabia’s location

Vision 2030 = Plan to diversify economy

Abaya = Traditional women’s dress

Rub al-Chali = Large sand desert

Masmak Palace = Historical site in Riyadh

Abayas = Conservative women’s clothing

Mecca and Medina = Holy cities in Islam

Compulsory education = Up to secondary level

Keyword: PRESIDENT

**Complete sentences**

Saudi Arabia is located | in the Middle East.

Riyadh is the capital | of Saudi Arabia.

Saudi Arabia has a desert-like | climate.

Oil was discovered in | Saudi Arabia in 1938.

The country’s culture is | rooted in Islam.

Mecca and Medina are | holy cities.

Vision 2030 aims to | diversify the economy.

Keyword: JOURNEY

**Questions**

What is Saudi Arabia’s main economic resource?

oil

Where is the Masmak Palace located?

Riyadh

What is the official language of Saudi Arabia?

Arabic

What type of climate does Saudi Arabia have?

desert

Which plan aims to reduce Saudi Arabia’s dependence on oil?

Vision 2030

What is the traditional women’s dress in Saudi Arabia?

abaya

Keyword: CACTUS

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Saudi Arabia is predominantly Arab and Muslim.

4. Riyadh has the Kingdom Tower.

5. Saudi Arabia’s economy relies heavily on oil.

wrong

6. The capital of Saudi Arabia is Mecca.

2. Saudi Arabia has a tropical climate.

3. Women in Saudi Arabia have always had the right to drive.

Keyword: MITTEN

**Solution sheet 2**

**Saudi Arabia**

**Questions and answers**

What is Riyadh?

Riyadh is the capital and economic center of Saudi Arabia.

What is Vision 2030?

Vision 2030 is a plan to diversify Saudi Arabia’s economy.

What is special about Mecca and Medina?

Mecca and Medina are the holiest cities in Islam.

What type of climate is prevalent in Saudi Arabia?

Saudi Arabia has a largely desert-like climate.

What is the Rub al-Chali?

The Rub al-Chali is one of the largest sand deserts in the world.

What rights were granted to women in 2018 in Saudi Arabia?

Women were granted the right to drive in 2018 in Saudi Arabia.

What is the main sector of Saudi Arabia’s economy?

Oil export is the main sector of Saudi Arabia’s economy.