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Foreword

Compared to most publications, it makes us happy to say 'hello again'. In terms of publications that require continuity, keeping our readers updated with an English magazine is undoubtedly an important Endeavour for our school.

Working with a team that loves dealing with challenging issues reminds us one of the Imam al Shafi'i 's famous quotes saying that: "Your nafs, if you don't keep it busy with the truth it will keep you busy with falsehood." While we continue our works with such a prolific team and zealous students, we feel obliged to challenge ourselves day by day. We are happy to have such cause within ourselves.

We want our precious students to care for the issues in both our country and also in the Islamic world. Thus in this issue, we have tried to shed light on the world's yesterday & tomorrow. This time we present our readers with rich content that include three different & special topics. Our main stories include the famous mosques of the Gulf Region, our dawah activities in the famous Suleymaniye Mosque and a very elaborate special file about our Model OIC High School event in about 30 pages.

In the stories that we want to shed light on the past till present, we will experience the cold atmosphere in the Battle of Sarikamish and also the hot conditions in the Battle of Hunain. We also question today from the recent past of our country and the Islamic World. We also follow tech world closely in our new issue especially to be aware of the advantages and the disadvantages effects of it. With an article about digital tools, we also have an interesting game review for gaming fans. Other than these, we have a broad range of topics that cover a variety of issues.

As we aim to present you with a rich and colourful content in every other issue, we included a collection from the best photos of the National Geographic of 2018. Targeting to improve awareness of fine arts in our students, we share the opinion that it will give them a different perspective, especially to those who take part in international activities and trainings. We also included two articles about how to improve vocabulary and speaking skills for those who want to get better and fluent in English. As the lingua franca of the world, we encourage the use of it with such important topics.

As we said in the beginning, we can observe that not every publication is long-lasting in the Turkish publishing environment. With the rich content and structure, our magazine continues to grow day by day. We believe that with the inspiration in our students' hearts and the light within their eyes, this journey will cover a long distance.

Mahmut YELEK Principal



BEYOGLU ANATOLIAN IMAM-HATIP HIGH SCHOOL

Beyoglu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School is one of the most influential high schools in Turkey. The history of Beyoglu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School dates back to 2006. It first started functioning as a branch of Istanbul Anatolian Imam Hatip High School in 2006. Many students were transferred from other imam hatip schools from all over Turkey and officially started functioning as an individual high school in 2007. Since then we have been working constantly to actualize our vision and simultaneously increase our quality. The school is located in Sutluce Beyoglu. Access to the school is open to students with a high Nationwide High School Entrance score. Education consists of a blend of Turkish, Arabic and English curricula.

Our mission is to raise individuals who acquire the knowledge rather than memorizing, who use the knowledge rather than storing it, who are successful not only at examinations, but also at interschool culture, art, sports, science events, who think freely and can express their ideas explicitly, who have an international vision, are committed to local values and open to universal ones, who have acquired a foreign language at the level of conducting scientific studies and who are the bright leaders of the future. At Beyoglu there is a tradition of respecting the elder brothers. The elders protect the younger brothers while the younger ones respect the elders.. After graduation, this relationship continues regardless of age, status or geographic location.

CLUBS

MUSIC CLUB: The mission of the Music club was to give students the opportunity to exercise their musical talents with other students.





VISUAL ARTS CLUB

The idea behind the Visual Arts Club is to bring together all the students who love painting, photographing, designing, and other artistic skills.

Calligraphy -Marbling Art -Software club





SPORTIVE ACTIVITIES

Beyoglu Imam Hatip High School students participate in many different sports including basket ball, football, volley ball, lounge football, wrestling, Ping-Pong, badminton, swimming and athletic sports.

ARCHITECTURE

The building of the school was designed in Seljuk architecture style. The school includes a football field, a basketball field, a mosque and a cafeteria near the main building.



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special file MODEL OIC 2018 HIGH SCHOOL

In cooperation with Beyoğlu Foundation for Education and Culture and the ICYF, under the coordination of Beyoğlu Imam Hatip High School, we organized the International Model Organization for Islamic Cooperation Summit at the high school level in Arabic for the first time in the world. Our program was held with the participation of 173 students from various high schools in Turkey and 40 different nationalities.





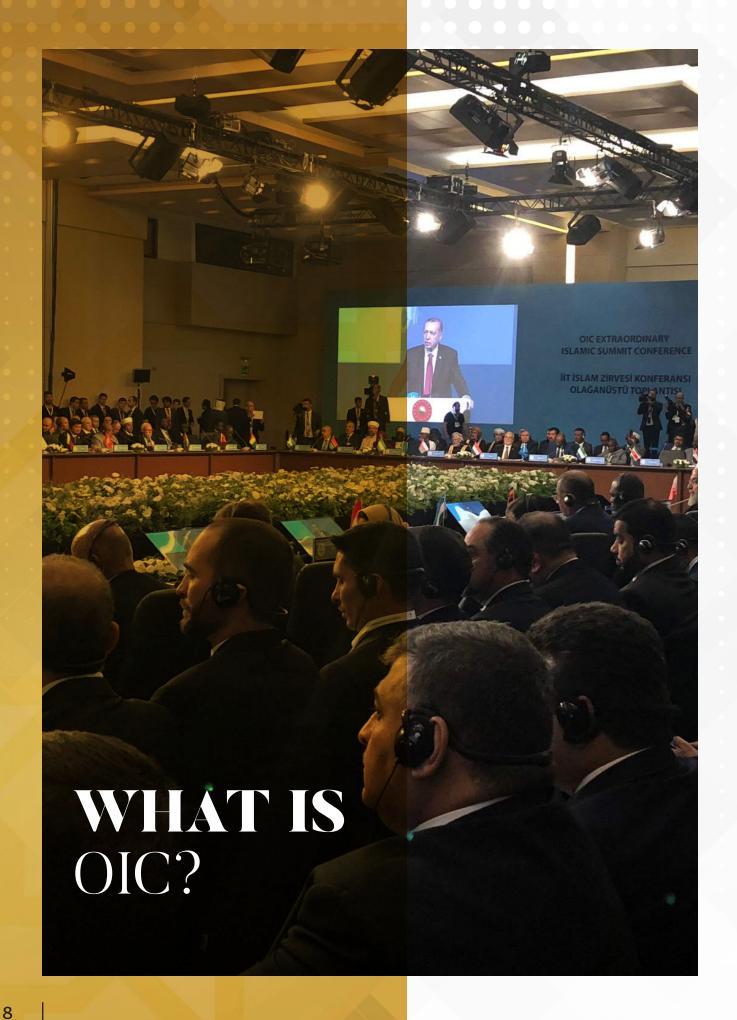


THEME

Preservation of the international status and Islamic character of Jerusalem







•he Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) is the second largest inter-governmental organization after the United Nations with a membership of 57 states spread over four continents. The Organization is the collective voice of the Muslim world. It endeavors to safeguard and protect the interests of the Muslim world in the spirit of promoting international peace and harmony among various people of the world.

The Organization was established upon a decision of the historical summit which took place in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco on 12th Rajab 1389 Hijra (25 September 1969) following the criminal arson of Al-Aqsa Mosque in occupied Jerusalem.

In 1970 the first ever meeting of Islamic Conference of Foreign Minister (ICFM) was held in Jeddah which decided to establish a permanent secretariat in Jeddah headed by the organization's secretary general. Dr. Yousef Ahmed Al-Othaimeen is the 11th Secretary General who assumed the office in November 2016.

The first OIC Charter was adopted by the 3rd ICFM Session held in 1972. The Charter laid down the objectives and principles of the organization and fundamental purposes to strengthen the solidarity and cooperation among the Member States. Over the last 40 years, the membership has grown from its founding members of 30 to 57 states. The Charter was amended keep pace with the developments that have unraveled across the world. The present Charter of the OIC was adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Summit held in Dakar on 13-14 March 2008 to become the pillar of the OIC future Islamic action in line with the requirements of the 21st century.

The Organization has the singular honor to galvanize the Ummah into a unified body and have actively represented the Muslims by espousing all causes close to the hearts of over 1.5 billion Muslims of the world. The Organization has consultative and cooperative relations with the UN and other inter-governmental organizations to protect the vital interests of the Muslims and to work for the settlement of conflicts and disputes involving Member States. In safeguarding the true values of Islam and the Muslims, the organization has taken various steps to misperceptions remove and has strongly advocated elimination of discrimination against Muslims in all forms and manifestations.

The Member States of the OIC face many challenges in the 21st century and to address those challenges, the Third Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit held in Makkah in December 2005, laid down the blue print called the Ten-

Year Program of Action. It successfully concluded with the close of 2015. A successor programme for the next decade (2016-2025) has since then been adopted.

The programme new OIC-2025 is anchored in the provisions of the OIC Charter and focuses on 18 priority areas with 107 goals. The priority areas include issues of Peace and Security, Palestine and Al-Quds, Poverty Alleviation, Counterterrorism, Investment and Finance, Food Security, and Technology, Science Climate Change and Sustainability, Moderation. Culture and Interfaith Harmony, **Empowerment** Women, Joint Islamic Humanitarian Action, Human Rights and Good Governance, among others.

OIC's Among the bodies: the Islamic Summit, of Foreign the Council Ministers (CFM), the General Secretariat, in addition to the Al-Quds Committee and three permanent committees concerned with and technology, economy and trade, and information and culture. There are also specialized organs under the banner of the OIC including the Islamic Development Bank and the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, as well as subsidiary and affiliate organs that play a vital role in boosting cooperation in various fields among the OIC member states.



Model OIC is an authentic simulation of the OIC Summit or Council of Foreign Ministers, or any other multilateral body, which catapults students into the world of diplomacy and negotiation. In Model OIC, students step into the shoes of Ambassadors/Ministers/Presidents of OIC Member States to debate current issues on the Organization's vast agenda. The students, better known as "delegates" in Model OIC, prepare draft resolutions, plot strategy, negotiate with supporters and adversaries, resolve conflicts, and navigate the OIC's rules of procedure-all in the interest of mobilizing "international cooperation" to resolve problems that affect almost every country on Earth. First ever International Model OIC High School

summit was organized by Beyoğlu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School-Beyoğlu Education and Culture Foundation and Islamic Cooperation Youth Forum on April 27-30, 2018, with the aim of increasing the awareness of the high school students about the problems of Islamic Geography by also giving them the opportunity to develop their foreign language skills and help them make international friendships.

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HIGH SCHOOL



MODEL OIC 2018 HIGH SCHOOL

The conference, which was held on 27-30 April 2018 and lasted for 4 days, began on 27 April 2018 Friday with the opening program at Beyoğlu Anatolian Imam Hatip High School Conference Hall.

17 Anatolian Imam Hatip High Schools that have Arabic prep class, 8 International Anatolian Imam Hatip High Schools and secondary level students from member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation have taken part in the conference.

4 committees in the conference dealt with the following topics; the position of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation against the proclamation of Jerusalem as the capital of the occupying country, the development of economic integration among member states and the establishment of common policies, the necessity of working in the international arena for the protection of Palestinian fundamental rights in Jerusalem, and the necessity of developed activism and empathy for Jerusalem and Palestine were discussed.

At the conference, students from various countries in the Muslim World discussed the issues determined by the organizing committee with the perspective of the countries they represent and discussed the issues in Arabic.



Some distinguished guests attended the closing ceremony such as Yusuf Tekin, undersecretary of the Ministry of National Education, Nazif Yılmaz, the Religious Education Director. academicians from and Istanbul, Istanbul Sehir, and Ibn Khaldun Universities. Also delegates and delegations were awarded for outstanding success.

The participants organized international political debates and organized various activities to raise awareness of the problems of the world and the Ummah, to offer solutions to the

problems according to the policy of the country they represent, to understand modern global politics and to develop foreign language skills.

The program, the International Model Organization for Islamic Cooperation Summit (High School) which started with the opening program on Friday jointly 27.04.2018 organized by the Beyoğlu Foundation for Education and Culture and Our School ended on 30.04.2018 at the Halic Congress Center with a closing ceremony.

Policy Committee:

The position of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation against the declaration of Jerusalem as the capital of the occupying country.

Economic Committee:

Increasing member states' economic integration and joint policies.

Human Rights Committee:

The need to work in the international arena to protect the fundamental rights of Palestinians in Jerusalem.

Youth Policies Committee: The need for activism and empathy for Jerusalem and Palestine.



MODEL OIC 2018 SCHEDULE

DAY 1

Registration
Opening Ceremony
1st Panel Discussion
2nd Panel Discussion
3rd Panel Discussion
Model OIC Diplomatic Training Session

DAY 3

- General Assembly Session
 General Assembly Session
- Istanbul Tour

During the 4-day intensive program, participants, had an amazing experience in an international environment, and additionally, they had the opportunity to know Istanbul and Turkey through various social activities.

DAY 2

Simulation session 1 2nd Session 3rd Session 4th Session Bosphorus Tour



Closing Ceremony



MODEL OIC 2018 PHOTO GALLERY

Here are some moments shared together in the 1st International Model OIC High School. We are looking forward to seeing you again here in Istanbul this year!





























MODEL OIC 2018 PHOTO GALLERY















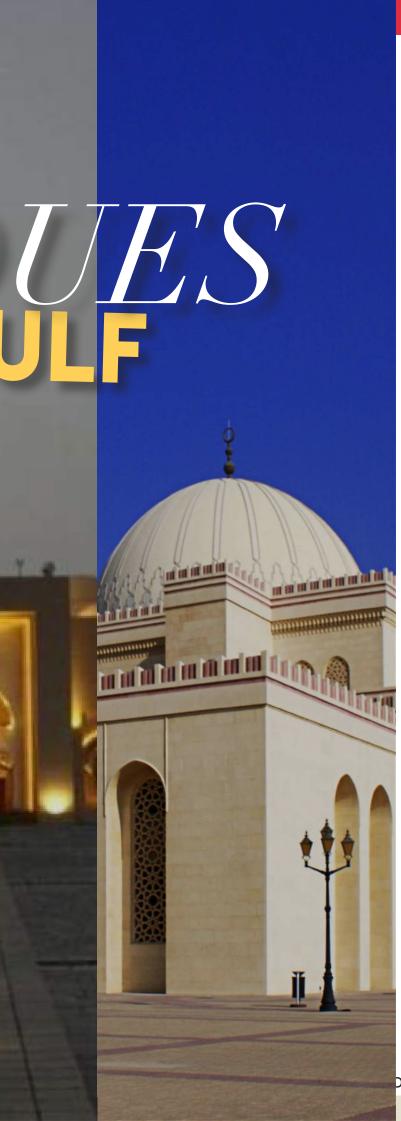












Önder ÜÇÜNCÜ

here were almost 1.4 billion tourists in the world in 2018 according to UN World Tourism Organization. As one of them, I paid a visit to 4 Muslim countries in the Gulf Region recently where I visited numerous places along with great mosques. In this article, you will learn some facts about those countries and see beautiful photos of the mosques. Let us begin with a country which is one of the most effective countries in the region:

KUWAIT

FACTS

Capital: Kuwait

- Population 4 million
- Area 17,818 sq km (6,880 sq miles)
- Major language Arabic
- Major religion Islam
- Life expectancy 74 years (men), 76 years (women)
- Currency Dinar

Oil-rich Kuwait is a small country at the top of the Gulf. Surrounded by powerful neighbours Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Iran, its strategic location and massive oil reserves make it one of the world's richest countries per capita. Kuwait sits on the world's fifth-largest oil reserves and is the sixth biggest oil-producing state after Iran, Saudi Arabia, China, Russia and the US.

The country is politically and socially one of the most liberal of the Gulf nations.



"By Allah, if a single person is guided by Allah through you, it will be better for you than a whole lot of red camels."

GRAND MOSQUE

Located in the heart of the city, the Grand Mosque is the biggest and the official Mosque of Kuwait which means that official religious celebrations are held in this mosque only. Locals refer to it as Al-Masjid Al-Kabir with total area of 46,000 square meters (490,000 sq ft), in that the building itself covers 20,000 square meters (220,000 sq ft). The Grand mosque is internationally renowned for its Islamic architecture and it has become one of Kuwait's most treasured landmarks. Indeed, the builders and designers have put a lot of effort in creating this mosque starting the project way back in 1979 and finally completing it seven years later in 1986 at a cost of about KD 14 million. Grand Mosque is popular for its prayer arrangement during the last 10 days of Ramadan. Thousands of Muslims gather during last 10 days of Ramadan.

OMAN

FACTS

Sultanate of Oman
Capital: Muscat
Population 2.9 million
Area 309,500 sq km (119,500 sq
miles)
Major language Arabic
Major religion Islam
Life expectancy 71 years (men),
76 years (women)
Currency Rial

Oman is one of the oldest independent Arab countries. During the 19th century, it was considered the most powerful Arab entity, consisting of an emirate that stretched all the way to Zanzibar at the eastern edge of the African coast.

THE SULTAN QABOOS GRAND MOSQUE

It is one of those attractions that you have to visit if you are coming to Muscat. It is one of the most beautiful and extravagant modern mosques in the world. The mosque was first opened in 2001 and took six years to build. The mosque features a blend of Islamic, Middle Eastern, and Omani architectural styles, hosts one of the world's largest handmade Persian rugs and one of the world's biggest crystal chandeliers.

The Grand Mosque is the largest mosque in Oman and can accommodate up to 20,000 worshippers in total. The mosque has four main sections, the main prayer hall, the women prayer hall, the library, and the lecture theater.

Non-Muslims can come to visit the Grand Mosque from 8am to 11am from Saturday to Thursday, while the library is open from 9am to 2am and 4pm to 9pm Saturday to Wednesday (on Thursday the library is open for the morning session only). Visitors must dress conservatively especially women who must cover their hair, shoulders, and arms when they visit the mosque.

OATAR

The State of Qatar Capital: Doha Population 2.7 million Area 11,437 sq km Language Arabic Religion Islam Life expectancy 78.5 Currency Rial

Qatar has large oil reserves and the world's third largest natural gas reserves. Oil and gas revenue has, since 2007, made Qatar's citizens the world's richest per capita.

Qatar has an estimated population of 2.6 million (2018), with approximately 10 per cent citizens. A large proportion of foreign expatriates are Indian or Pakistani, followed by Iranians, Arabs and other nationalities.

THE STATE GRAND MOSQUE

The State Mosque of Qatar is one of the largest and has been renamed after the-18th-century character, 'Muhammad Ibn Abdul Wahhab'. The mosque features an imposing building with many domes and was built with a fascinating mix of both traditional Arabic and



















modern architecture which includes sparkling half-moons, a minaret and large open outdoor spaces. It preserves some of the traditional Islamic architectural elements and with its distinguishing doomed roof, it is a stunning example of architectural magnificence and landmark construction in Doha

The total area of the mosque is approximately 175,000 sq.m. In the air-conditioned central hall of the mosque, more than 10,000 men can offer prayers and the nearby spacious space overlooking the Men's Area is enough to accommodate



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1300 women. The mosque has three main doors and as many as 17 side entrances. As many as 65 domes cover the outer quadrangle and 28 large domes cover the central hall. Generally, the mosque can house worshippers of as many as 30,000 at a time including the outdoor area.

BAHRAIN

FACTS

Kingdom of Bahrain Capital: Manama Population 1.4 million Area 717 sq km (277 sq miles) Major language Arabic Major religion Islam Life expectancy 75 years (men), 76 years (women) Currency Bahraini dinar

Known as one of the most socially liberal states in the Gulf, the small island nation of Bahrain is a chain of around 30 islands with a territory of 717 square kilometers. Its capital is Manama.

AL- FATEH MOSQUE

Al- Fateh Mosque was named after the founder of Bahrain. Ahmed Al-Fateh. Built in the 1980s, it remains one of the largest mosques in Bahrain, accommodating up to 7000 worshippers at once. Al-Fateh mosque is located in the capital city of Manama, next to the King Faisal Highway in a town called Juffair. It hosts the National Library with over 7000 books including Al-Azhar journals, copies of the teachings of Prophet Mohammed (pbuh) and other Islamic encyclopedias. Doors are open for visitors from 9am to 4pm except on Fridays. The mosque was built using marble from Italy, teak wood from India, and glass from Austria, and its fiberglass dome in the largest in the world.







MODERN UKAZ FAIRS

hat if Allah S.W.T made us born into a Hindu family worshipping to multiple gods in the outskirts of Nepal? Or into a Christian family in Argentina or elsewhere believing in Jesus (the son of Mary P.B.U.H) as the son of God? Alhamdulillah that Allah SWT gave us this great treasure of faith in Him and so we are called Muslims. Being born into a Muslim family, many of us do not appreciate enough our being Muslims. Therefore, we seem to forget one of the most significant orders of Allah SWT in our holy book Qur'an that all Muslims are required to do da'wah to the people of other faiths.









Moments from the activity done by our students

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Let those who are present here convey this message to those who are not present."

Prophet Muhammad, pbuh

"Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good instruction, and argue with them in a way that is best. Indeed, your Lord is most knowing of who has strayed from His way, and He is most knowing of who is [rightly] guided." An-Nahl 125.

In the farewell sermon of our

prophet Muhammad (PBUH), he also stated the following: "Let those who are present here convey this message to those who are not present." This means that Muslims have the responsibility to convey the message of Islam to all mankind. This can only happen by following the guidelines we learn from the Quran and the Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).

With this mentality, our school has joined its manpower with an NGO called the Center for Cross-cultural Communication in Istanbul to convey the message of Islam to the tourists visiting the famous historical mosques of Istanbul, mainly the Suleymaniye Mosque. As we believe that there has to be a certain methodology we need to follow when we convey the

message, we had trainings organized and conducted by the CCC team in our school and on the field in the Suleymaniye Mosque. After the trainings on intercultural communication skills, FAQs on Islam, practical knowledge on the mosque itself, our students started their observation period which later turned them into the main actors in conveying the message to the mosque visitors.

This partnership between a voluntary NGO called the Center for Cross-cultural Communication and our school Beyoglu Imam Hatip High School is believed to be a good model for many countries and institutions. Tourists who have other believes or no belief in God at all are not only visiting Turkey as a Muslim country. They also visit Malaysia,









Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia, the UAE, Qatar, Bahrain, the Balkan countries etc. What we expect from the readers of this article is that they can also take initiative in such activities in their respected countries and do the best business that will give them eternal bliss in the Afterlife. Let us not forget the following saying of The Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) to his cousin `Ali, "By Allah, if a single person is guided by Allah through you, it will be better for you than a whole lot of red camels."

Do not you think that red camel of that time could be a Ferrari today?

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For more on da'wah activities visit: www.kim.org.tr



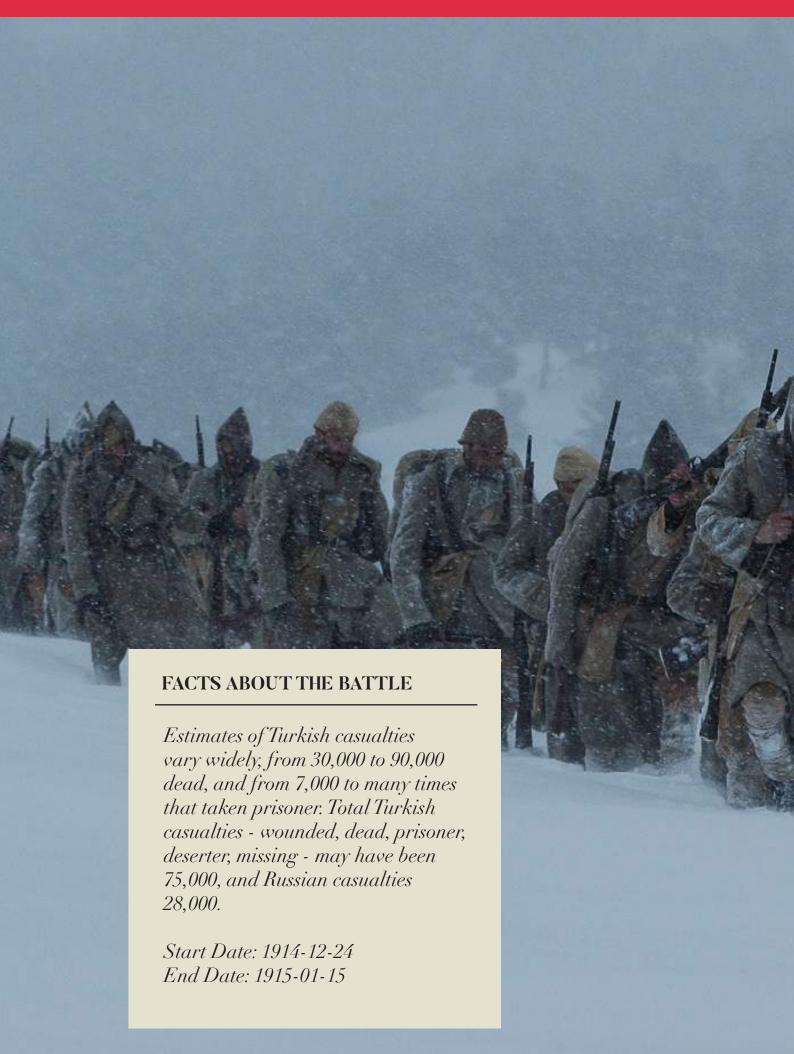




"Allah does not look at your appearance or your possessions; but He looks at your heart and your

[Muslim, Birr (Piety), 33; Ibn Majah, Dhuhd (Observance of Devotions) 9; Ahmad bin Hanbal, 2/285, 539]

deeds."





THE BATTLE OF SARIKAMISH

Muhammed Furkan ÜÇER

WHAT IS THE SARIKAMIŞ OPERATION?

Sarıkamış Operation (22 December 1914) was a military operation that took place in Sarıkamış between the Ottoman Empire and the Russian Empire during the First World War, and which resulted in a great failure with the military tactical error of the Ottoman Empire.

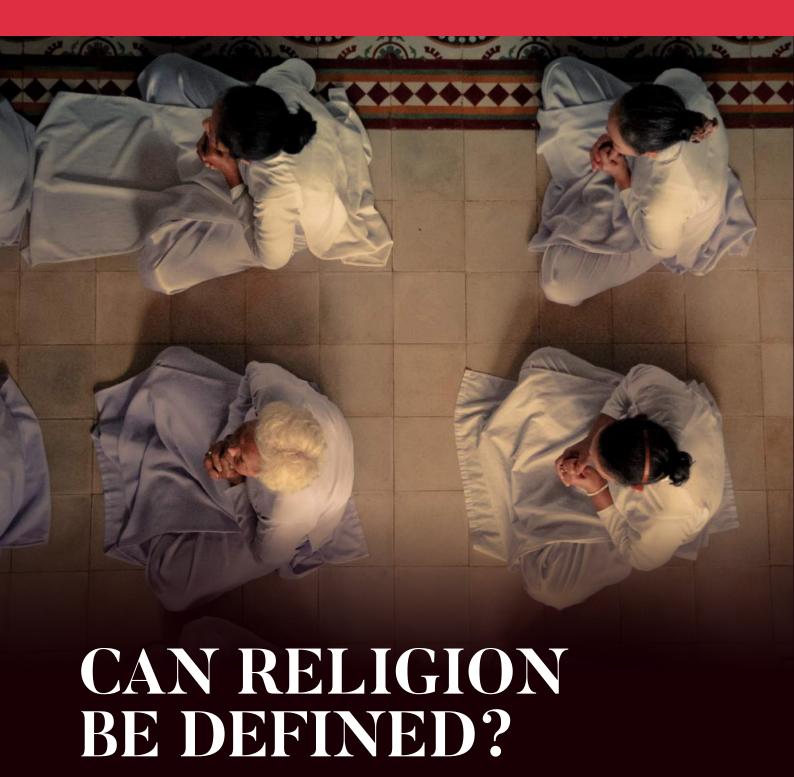
IDEA

Destroying the Russian army in bad condition and taking back the previously lost lands. In fact, considering all these challenges the Turkish attack went remarkably well at first. On December 22, 1914 elements of the Turkish Third Army, numbering 150,000 men altogether, began advancing against the Russian Caucasian Army numbering 65,000 men (some Turkish troops remained behind in defensive and support positions).

CASUALTIES

The cost was staggering: according to some, the Ottoman losses came to 90,000 dead, including 53,000 who froze to death, and thousands more who perished from disease—especially typhus, the great nonhuman killer of the First World War. There are 30.000 deaths from Russian Empire, too.

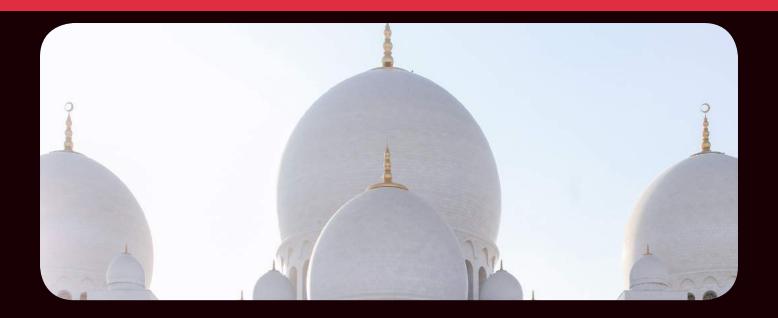
Having destroyed his Third Army, War Minister Enver Pasha returned to Istanbul on January 9, 1915. He did not lead his forces again during the war. This event is still a bad memory even after many, many years.



Mustafa Numan YILMAZ

According to Cambridge Dictionary, definition of religion is that the belief in and worship of god or gods, or many such system of belief and worship. When we turn pages of history we see that religion was always part of mankind and also so many religions has occurred whole the history of

humankind. However, due to appearing of so many different religions, we as peoples of the world defined the religion in so many different ways. Nevertheless, despite existences of so many things which we call as the religion, can we define all the religions with one healthy sentence?



I believe while we are answering this question we ought to ignore all the answers by Theologists. In my opinion we better focus on religious studies as, religious studies include outsider perspective and also insider perspective which are so important to understand the real meaning of objects.

I think we had better start with quote of Max Muller which is about the reason of differences among religious and I agreed so much. "Language shapes human's intelligence and opinions. " Max Muller was one of the people who studied religious studies and when he was studying at Indian Language, he figured importance of language upon

style of thinking of humankind out. Therefore he mentioned that the religion can not be defined.

Instead of German Max Muller, Karl Marx who lived between 1818-1883 in Germany thought that the religion can be defined and also he created a definition of the religion which is "Religion is the opium of society.". He looked at the religion in perspective of its power of absorbing rage of society as, he thought only functionality of religions is decreasing rage of society.

Third scholar who I will talk about is Wilfred Cantwell Smith . He was a Christian theologist who was from Scotland during 1916-2000. He said that "If

someone wants to understand a religion entirely, insider perspective is so important to him to get his goal.". He was true but unfortunately he looked at the religion only from insider perspective and thought that all the religions advice the same basic truths which can be found by every person. For instance stealing is unlawful in every religion or killing someone. However, I believe, those same basic truths may depend religion by religion. For example according to Holy Quran, you shall sacrifice some animals for God and one of those animals is cow. On the other hand cow is a sacred animal to hindu people. So there are no "the same basic truths". He couldn't see that because he just thought from insider perspective which was like a Christian person. Thus we understand the importance of outsider perspective.

As a matter of fact, to answer our question we have to look at that from insider and outsider perspectives. In my opinion Max Muller was right. We can not define the religion with one healthy sentence just because there are such many different things which we call as religion. Hence we have no possibility to define the religion with one healthy sentence.



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DEAD CELLS -A GAME REVIEW

Emir UYSAL

Dead Cells is a brand new game developed by French game company Motion Twin. It's an indie 2D platform game which combines Roguelike and Metroidvania game style with Soulslike difficulty. Gameplay mechanics are Metroidvania style with hack and slash type combat system while the world, all the enemies and the items are randomly generated as a typical feature of Roguelike games.

In this game death is permanent. Every time you die you start all over. You lose your weapons, all your money and most importantly your progress. The only thing you don't lose is permanent upgrades which can be obtained by using another currency. This currency is called "Cells". Cells can be obtained by killing enemies, opening chests and getting through time-limited doors. You spend your cells in a hub place between each level. While



the gold affects your current run and weapons cells make permanent changes in your game. And for every cell you spend the game becomes a little easier. Try not to die if you have a lot of cells to spend. Because upon death you lose all your cells too.

The game doesn't offer you much story. But the real shining star is its very fast and dynamic gameplay. All those jumping, climbing, rolling, dodging and fighting makes the player fall in love with the game in every run.

You start the game by choosing two weapons between a sword, a bow, and a shield. As you progress through the game you find new weapons, shields, traps, bombs, and shops where you can buy them with gold. And the fun part is these weapons interact with

each other. For example, you have a sword which covers enemies with oil, and you use a firebomb. It's all up to your imagination. As you progress through the game you find new blueprints of weapons. Once you unlock a blueprint game adds the weapon into your item pool permanently. Since the weapons are randomly found, in every run you fight in a different way. But of course, once you find the way suits you most, you can stick to that.

In every run, our character gets stronger as you find scrolls of power which increases his health or the damage of weapons of a certain class. There are locked doors in each level which can be unlocked by spending money or breaking it. Breaking it curses you and makes you die in a single hit.

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The curse can be lifted by killing a certain amount of enemies. Also in the hub place, you can buy mutations with gold which makes significant changes to your play style. All these elements make the game evolve around your choices. You can be a face to face fighter with heavy hitting weapons, be a quick assassin with daggers and fast weapons or a long ranged archer with different types of traps.





You need to kill 3 bosses to beat the game. While the bosses are same, the way to get them changes with your decisions. There are currently seventeen biomes, with plans to add more. While the entire map is randomly generated and all the enemies and items are randomly placed there are some parameters in each biome. For example, you encounter always the same types of enemies in each biome. That means the game focuses on adaptation to the current situation rather than memorization while maintaining each biome's distinct feel.

In some levels, there are timed doors which can be only opened if you reach there before a certain time. (2 minutes for the first one, 8 for the second) Behind these doors, there are some valuable goods like cells, gold, and a power scroll. I can definitely say you have to be fast to get to these doors, so fast that sometimes you miss some goods in your current level. At first collecting all items worth your time and reaching to time-limited doors seems impossible. But the longer you play the better and faster you get.

Dead Cells prefers pixel art for its graphics which makes the system requirements of the game very low. Also, the game has a unique way of humor. I will not spoil anything but it makes references to popular culture movies and other games. And every reference made me smile every time.

And last but not least, beating the final boss is not the end of the game. Actually, it's only the beginning. The game offers you much more than you can see in the first sight. The more you love the game, the more it opens itself to you.

I've played dead cells for 40+ plus hours and I still enjoy the game. I recommend you to at least give it a try. My personal rating is 9 out of 10.

THE KEY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN



he huge discrepancy between Planners and Delayers is been always an enigma for the scientists. Even though the social and psychological differences were specified, no one ever compared these two group's brains.

In a recent study, evidences showed us that there are some basic differences between their brains.

The findings proved us that Delayers have a bigger Amygdala in their brains. Amygdala is a controlling center of the fear and the feelings in the brain.

Authors explain in a dissertation called Psychological Science: "That's why a person who has a large amygdala volume doesn't start a goal unless there is a good reason." Hence the Delayers are not lazy as they're presumed. In contrast they just avoid the risks.

This is the first and the only research about the biological differences between the Delayers and the Planners. Since the research on the onset, scientists need more time to improve their theories.

Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Do not quarrel with your (Muslim) brothers. Do not make them such jokes as they will not like. Do not make promises to them that you will not keep."

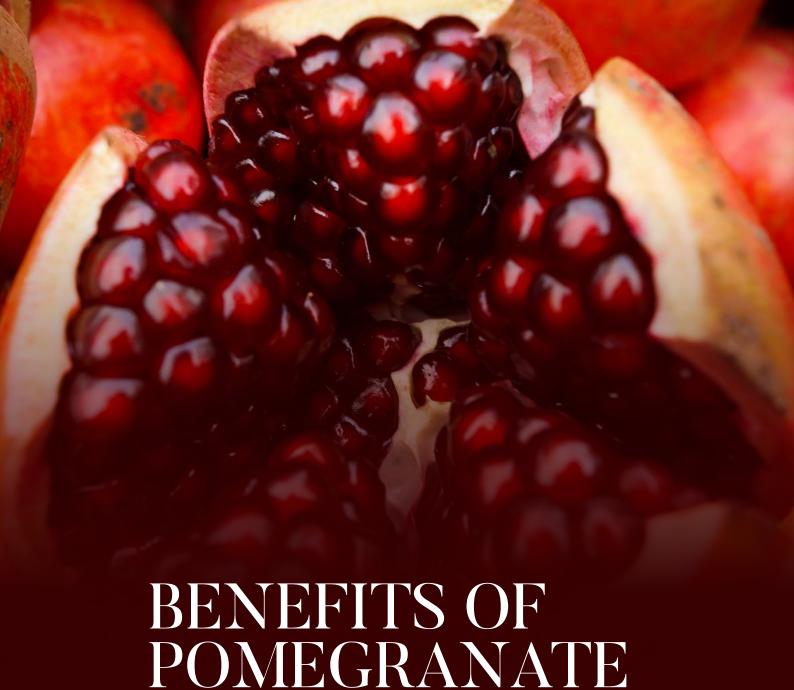
[Tirmidhi, Birr (Piety), 58]



Abu Musa (narrated that he asked Allah's Messenger)
Whose Islam is the best?
(i.e. who is a good Muslim?).
The Prophet (pbuh) replied:

"One who avoids harming Muslims with his tongue and hands."

[Al-Bukhari]



omegranate is, if anything, one of the most beneficial fruits known to men and have been used since ancient times as a healing fruit. Used to prevent many forms of cancer, especially prostate cancer in men and even breast cancer in women, pomegranate has regenerative properties, which can heal scars, diminish wrinkles and prevent dark spots from appearing; which makes it an effective natural anti-ageing juice. The fruit has been known as a secret youth potion in ancient times

and an elixir of youth in modern days. Despite its sweetness in the juices of these fruits, it is actually safe for diabetic and pre-diabetic patients to drink pomegranate juice. Because pomegranate fructose is structured differently, our body doesn't digest the natural sugar in these fruits as we do normal sugar. In fact, many Western doctors nowadays will put pre-diabetic patients on daily doses of Pomegranate juice for as long as three months up to a year to reverse the effect of early symptoms of diabetes.



IMPROVES YOUR HEART HEALTH:

Pomegranate juice can have great impact on health, particularly on the health of the heart, by keeping the arteries flexible and decreasing the inflammation in the lining of the blood vessels. It is known to reduce atherosclerosis. which is one of the leading causes of heart disease. It lowers the risk of blockage in the arteries which can cause a restriction in the flow of blood to the heart and brain. In other words, it has an antiatherogenic effect on the heart. It lowers the amount of LDL or bad cholesterol that is retained in the body and increases the amount of good cholesterol or HDL.

REDUCES RISK OF CANCER:

Pomegranate juice eliminates free radicals from the body and inhibits the growth and development of cancer and other diseases. Its high contents of antioxidants stimulate the white blood cells to neutralize toxins in the body thereby promoting a strong and healthy immune system. Pomegranate is believed to induce apoptosis,

a process where the cells destroy themselves. Daily intake of a glass of pomegranate juice can slow down the growth of cancerous cells in prostate cancer. Moreover, it appears to block aromatase, an enzyme that converts androgen to estrogen, a hormone which plays a crucial role in the development of breast cancer.

LOWERS BLOOD PRESSURE:

Pomegranates help lower blood pressure by preventing the activity of serum angiotensinconverting enzyme. Punicic acid is one of the main constituents of pomegranates that help lower cholesterol, triglycerides and reduce blood pressure. A study has shown that pomegranate components reduce risk factors for heart disease, in patients with diabetes and high LDL levels of the blood.

PREVENTS ANAEMIA:

Anaemia is a condition caused by the deficiency of red blood cells in the body. Since pomegranate juice contains ample amount of iron it helps in surmounting the red blood cell deficiency in the body. Mixing some candied sugar in pomegranate juice and introducing a couple of drops in the nostrils is a quick fix to control nosebleeds. It is an excellent remedy for red or sore eyes and falling eyelashes.



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DUCKDUCKGO -A SECURE & PRIVATE SEARCH ENGINE

If you've ever used a computer before the chances are you've heard of Google, the world's most popular search engine by far. Though people like to make fun of Bing for forever living in Google's shadow, you probably have some experience with that site as well. These are just two of the many search engines out there. Among the countless other search engines options, one stands out due to both its emphasis on searchers' privacy and overall quality: DuckDuckGo.

DuckDuckGo was founded on February 29, 2008, and by 2012 was being used for over one million searches a day. Nowadays, the site serves over 20 million searches daily and currently has a search engine market share of 0.24%. Though this is a very small percentage compared to Google's overwhelming share of about 73%, or even Bing's share of around 8%, it shows that people are invested in DuckDuckGo's business philosophy and are starting to take a greater interest



in protecting their personal privacy online. DuckDuckGo is a notably small and personable operation, with a current staff of only 55 employees.

PRIVACY

DuckDuckGo is built on the philosophy that users deserve privacy online and that your search history should not be used as a marketing tool.

Most major search engines, such as Google, for instance, track their users' search terms and the results that you choose in order to create a profile that is used to personalize your search results and target advertisements toward you. DuckDuckGo is one of few search sites that abstain from this practice. It does not collect or store personal information, nor does it share your IP

address, search criteria, or other info with the sites you visit.

DuckDuckGo keeps a record of all search terms that are entered, in order to improve things like misspellings. However, because DuckDuckGo does not store your IP address or unique user strings, these search terms are stored in a non-identifiable way. Similarly, DuckDuckGo does not use cookies by default, but will use them to store changes if you change any settings. These too are not stored in a way that can be used to identify the user.

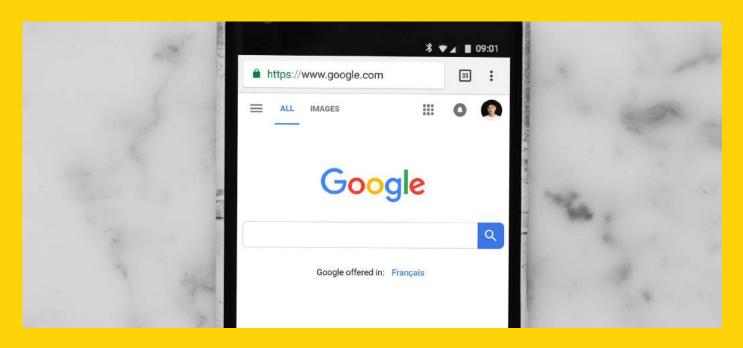
DuckDuckGo also makes it a point to prioritize the secure, encrypted version of a site rather than the unencrypted version. They also do not log your search history, and because this information is not tracked, it cannot be hacked or

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requested by law enforcement (if that's something you think you need to worry about).

AIMS FOR BEST RESULTS

Far from being a one-trick pony, the other major pillar of DuckDuckGo's business model is that they aim to provide not the most results, but the best results. Whereas Google can come up with thousands of results in under a second, DuckDuckGo by default provides a single page of what



it believes to be the best results, though you can load more results if necessary.

Because DuckDuckGo does not track your history in order to optimize search results, it shows the exact same results for a given keyword to any person who searches it. DuckDuckGo generates these results using a combination of 400 different sources including crowdsourced sites like Wikipedia, other search engines like Bing, Yahoo!, Yandex, and Wolfram Alpha, and its own web crawler, the DuckDuckBot.

DuckDuckGo relies heavily on open-source resources in order

to provide you with private and relevant search results. For example, the search engine's Instant Answers feature are supported by open source answers and maintained by GitHub, where anyone can contribute. The site itself is also built from an open-source stack.





DUCKDUCKGO FEATURES

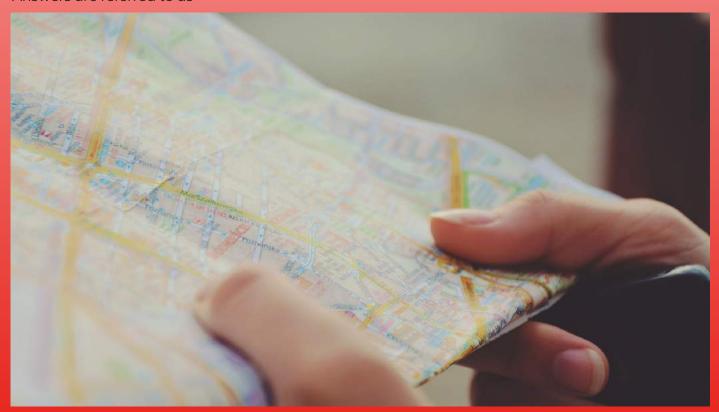
Though DuckDuckGo does not have an integrated pantheon of apps akin to its massive rival, Google, it does include a number of helpful features that can help make your searching easier and more efficient.

Because it was mentioned above, let's start with Instant Answers. When relevant, these answers are displayed in response to the search term, at the top of the page above the usual results. These Instant Answers are referred to as zeroclickinfo because the goal is to provide the user with the answer to their search query without them having to click on any unnecessary links. This can be a good time saver when you are just searching for basic information.

Another of DuckDuckGo's features, and perhaps its most useful, are "bangs." Bangs are shortcuts that allow you to instantly search a certain website from DuckDuckGo's search bar. For example, if you want to search for the Wikipedia page on Shia

LaBeouf, you can preface your search term of "Shia LaBeouf" with "!w" to denote the Wikipedia shortcut. If you want to buy a throwing star on Amazon, you can type "!a throwing star." YouTube, Facebook, and many other major websites have bang shortcuts available.

DuckDuckGo also has several other features, such as voice search, keyboard shortcuts to navigate results, and a Yelp-like sidebar that gives extra information while searching for local restaurants.



THE BATTLE OF HUNAYN

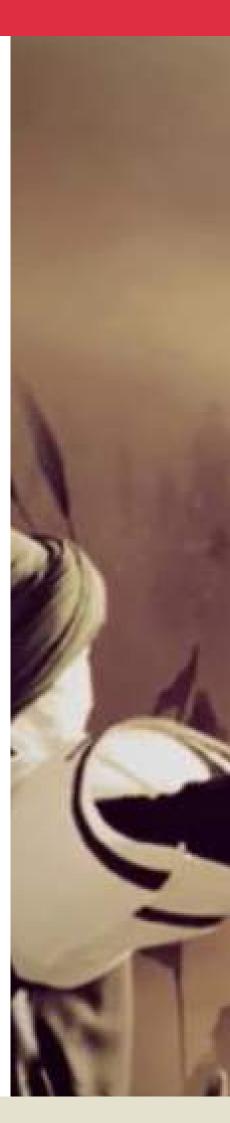
Mücahit KARAALİ

After two week from conquest of Makkah, one of the most powerfull tribes in Arabs Huza decided to fight against Muslims. They took everything they have with them.

The Number of Huza was twenty thousand, they went to Huneyn between Makkah and Taif. When prophet heard about it, called his mans to make an army. Number of Muslims was twelve thousand. One thousand from Muhajirs, three thousands from Ansar and eight thousands from people who accepted Islam newly. They did not know about Islam like Muhacirs and Ansar. The belief in Allah was very weak too. There were some Muslims who say: "This army cannot be defeated. "Because number of Muslims was very little in the wars before like Badr an Uhud.

When the army of Islam come to Hunayn, enemies went out from everywhere and started to shoot arrows to Muslim forces. Most of the soldiers started to run away from the battlefield. The biggest reason was that eight thousand of Muslims accepted Islam newly. They don't know something about the belief in Allah enough like other Muslim soldiers. This time prophet said to his uncle to call soldiers back. The Prophet shouted: "I'm the messenger of Allah. come here! there is no lie." Some companions of the prophet said: "There were only eighty people around messenger and others escaped." Where is the eleven thousand man? Prophet said: "O my Allah give me what you promised." He took piece of the soil, and threw it like the angel showed him. Companions said: "We saw some black things coming enemy and heard some voice of grasshopper from there. "All enemy fighters were killed by army of Allah." As a result, The war finished and Muslims won.

This is a very important lesson to us. Huge numbers don't mean winning. The success is coming from Allah to the people who believe in Allah and works hard.







Comic book industry is growing in last years. People buying like crazy and making their own collections. And there are few companies that making awesome comics. They are like: Marvel, DC, Image, Dark Horse...

Price of comics are cheap for US people (Unfortunately not for Turkey). But some comics may become more expensive. It's reason is limited comics. Some of them begging with 3\$ and then, become hundreds or thousands of dollars. For example, Action Comics #1 has sold for 3 million dollars.

Of course money is not the main reason to read comics. They are inspiring people. Giving them what they want or what they feel. If we look at the history of comics we see that people love heroes not heroic, humane.





Spider-Man is our sample. All people love him. Spider-Man is Peter Parker whose a nerd, orphan. And his life is the life that most of us do not want. But he is not unreachable. He shows us super powers are not the most important thing for helping people.

One of the reasons of popularity of comics is comic book movies. Marvel and DC are making their two or three movie movies per year. They are also creating their universe in movies. Marvel is making 'Marvel Cinematic Universe' and there are movies like Iron Man, Hulk, Thor and it's been 20 movies. The last movie 'Infinity War' gets 2 billion dollars from viewers. Besides, they are using huge budgets.

DC is also making movies of their superheroes like Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman... They are not successful as Marvel but they are making good movies too.

Film making is not the only sector of comic books.
Comic books also have their animations and games. Those are great too. Millions of people watching and playing them.

When we are talking about comics, we should mention great and unforgettable writers like Stan Lee and Steve Dltko. They have started currency of comics with their characters. Unfortunately both of them had died.

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VIDEO GAMES & THE CULTURE

Yusuf SAKARCA

VIDEO GAMES

What is video game culture, however? What does it mean to have a culture defined by the consumption of a particular medium? Moreover, what are the implications of defining this culture in a particular way? While there has been a great deal of ink split on video game culture, the actual definition of the term is often treated as common sense. Unpacking the discourses surrounding "video game culture" allows us to see the power dynamics involved in attributing certain characteristics to it, as well as naming it "video game culture" as such. This has implications for how video games are studied and is connected with how culture is studied more broadly. By critically examining how video game culture has been defined in both press and academic articles, this paper illuminates how this definition has limited the study of video games and where it can move.

VIDEO GAME CULTURE

Video game culture is a worldwide new media subculture formed by video games. As computer and video games have exponentially increased in popularity over time, they have had a significant influence on popular culture. Video game culture has also evolved over time hand in hand with internet culture as well as the increasing popularity of mobile games. Many people who play video games identify as gamers, which can mean anything from someone who enjoys games to someone who is passionate about it. As video games become more social with multiplayer and online capability, gamers find themselves in growing social networks. Gaming can both be entertainment as well as competition, as a new trend known as electronic sports is becoming more widely accepted. Today, video games can be seen in social media, politics, television, film, music and YouTube.



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Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Those who cheat are not of us."

[Muslim, Iman (Faith), 164]



Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Give workers
their wages before
their tears (on their
foreheads) have
dried."

[Ibn Majah, Ruhun, 4]



Stray animals, are forced to find food and they live in streets, without homes. Dogs and cats are the most common animals in streets and they need more help than the other animals.

Many years ago, humans were starting to take dogs and cats to their homes and they domesticated them however number of dogs and cats increased after the years. Most of the people were not willing to take them as before. Therefore, dogs and cats were starting to live in streets. These animals suffered to violence from humans. Humans did not help them besides they treated them badly. They got hit them by cars. They killed or wounded animals. Animals dehydrated in the heat

of summer and were homeless in the winter cold. Even though municipality took these animals to shelters, they remained hungry, thirsty and without love.

Stray animals are the poorest animals in streets and they in need of love. We can do lots of thinks for them. For example, we can put a cup of food and water in front of our doors, we should treat them decently. We can take stray animals to veterinary when they are wounded also we can build kennels by ourselves for cold weather because they might be ill like us; they are living creatures, not things. There are so many possibilities for them as I told and explained.



Melih ÇEBER

I would like to talk about the thing that causes a lot of fights or misunderstandings, "listening".

All around the world but especially in our country, people refuse to listen to other people and as I said it causes misunderstandings. People cannot stand to listen to anyone when they want to say something. That is a really big problem for human beings because even if they could solve a problem without anything bad happen. Especially at traffic, most of us probably had seen that moment, when two cars crash, those two drivers come out comes out with massive anger and just starts yelling

at each other. Of course, they are not listening to each other. Maybe if one of them could stay calmer and stay quiet and whenever the other guy that keeps on yelling stops, the guy that was staying quiet could start talking with the angry man as a normal person, they would probably solve the situation between them and then HURRAY, everyone is happy.

As we can see from the example, listening is a property that you must add to your character as a quality. There are even sayings for listening in cultures, such as "If talking is silver, listening is gold."

vocabulary studying tips

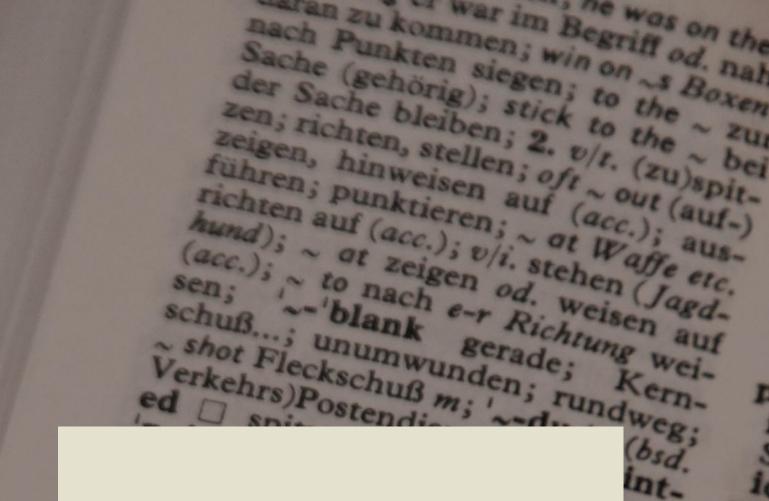
1. Use Memory Techniques

A popular way to memorize vocabulary is the use of mnemonics, which are mental shortcuts that help you remember more complex concepts or words. For example, you can create associations between words: If you don't know how to spell the words accommodation, just remember that it hastwocots that need twomattresses. Or you come up with an acronym: Like, when you need to go to the STORE to buy Spaghetti, Tomatoes, Olives, Rice, Eggs. The problem is, of course, that you still have to memorize the acronym, song, or association, but with a little bit of practice, you'll get good at coming up with creative and useful connections. And: The longer you think about acronyms or associations, the better will you remember the words that come with it.

2. Create a learning environment

hend-on-Sea

When you're studying abroad, you will hear and read the language everywhere and learn much faster through immersion. But you don't have to go abroad to slowly increase the number of words you know – you can create an inspiring and study-friendly environment wherever you are: Buy magazines or books in the new language, watch movies, and cook (or just eat) the local food.



3. Put the words in context

A good idea to learn more words faster is to put them in context: Instead of writing lists of random words, try to put them in sentences. That way, you know how the word is used in real life. Plus, if you come up with funny sentences, it will be easier to memorize. Depending on how you learn, you can also make drawings or find images that will complement the sentences and put the words into their natural habitat.

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Speaking of context: Movies, TV shows, books, podcasts or songs are not only a great source for the most common words, they can also help you memorize the vocabulary because they always come associated with a scene, a person, or a (real-life) event. So, try to read books or watch movies in the original language (with subtitles) and figure out what the words mean. If you see or hear a phrase or sentence that you don't understand, write it down, look it up and start memorizing it.

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VOCABULARY Studying tips Continued

5. Take it to the next level

If you want to take language learning to the next level, leave enough space for mind maps with associated words, synonyms or antonyms. If you want to get the most out of your learning process, try not to translate the word into your native language, but instead, explain and describe it in the language you're trying to learn.

6. Find the tools that work for you

Everyone learns differently, so if you don't already know what works for you, try as many different ways – or a combination thereof – as possible: Flashcards, apps, lists, games, or post-its, are great ways to memorize vocabulary. The same goes for finding the right time: Some people want to set apart a specific time, others learn more spontaneously. No matter which approach you choose, be sure to get into some kind of rhythm – practice makes perfect, after all.

7. Make it interactive

Just like you have to find the right tools that work for you, it's also important to make the learning experience as encompassing as possible: Don't just read the words from cards or lists – hear them pronounced, say them out loud yourself and write or type them.



8. Focus on useful words

If you want to expand your vocabulary because you want to work at a marketing firm abroad, you probably don't have to read Shake-speare's novels or focus on words that pertain to the Middle Ages. The more practical and popular the words are for your career, hobbies and real-life conversations, the easier they are to learn – and you will be able to use them more often. (This can be like a game: You can reward yourself every time you used a certain word in a real-life conversation.)

9. Repeat and then repeat some more

Remember to not just repeat current words, but also the "old stuff" that you think you've memorized already. You don't have to look at the stored words as often as the new vocabulary, but the more you use the words, the better you'll remember and recall them. Have desire and Want to learn a new language- Learning a language requires a lot of study and dedication. Only true desire will keep you motivated.

HOWTO IMPROVE SPEAKING IN ENGLISH





1. THINK IN ENGLISH

If you think in your native language and then try to speak English, you'll always have to translate between languages. Translating isn't an easy thing to do! Even people fluent in two or more languages have trouble switching between languages.

The solution is to think in English.

You can do this anywhere, anytime. Try to use English when you're thinking about your day, or when you're trying to decide what food to order. Even try to use an English-to-English dictionary to look up words. That way you never have to use your native language and translate words. You'll notice that when you think in English, it's easier for you to speak in English.

2. TALK TO YOURSELF

Whenever you're at home (or alone somewhere else) you can improve English speaking with your favorite person: yourself.

If you're already thinking in English, try speaking your thoughts out loud. Read out loud, too. Practice is practice, and even if you don't have anyone to correct your mistakes, just the act of speaking out loud will help you become more comfortable speaking English.

3. USE A MIRROR

Whenever you can, take a few minutes out of your day to stand in front of the mirror and speak. Choose a topic, set a timer for two or three minutes and just talk.

The point of this exercise is to watch your mouth, face and body language as you speak. It also makes you feel like you're talking to someone, so you can pretend you're having a discussion with a study buddy.

Talk for the full two or three minutes. Don't stop! If you get stuck on a word you don't know, try expressing your idea in a different way. You can always look up how to say that word after the two to three minutes end. This will definitely help you find out what kinds of words or sentences you have trouble with.



HOWTO IMPROVE SPEAKING IN ENGLISH



5. TRY ENGLISH TONGUE TWISTERS

Tongue twisters are series of words that are difficult to say quickly. One example is: "The thirty-three thieves thought that they thrilled the throne throughout Thursday." Try saying this a few times! It's not easy.

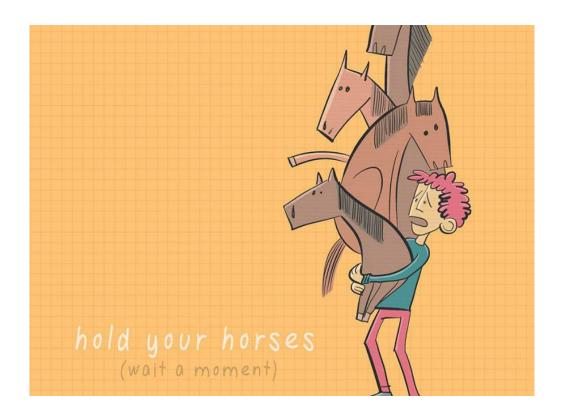
Word games will help you find the right placement for your mouth and tongue, and can even help your pronunciation.

6. LISTEN AND REPEAT

Do you watch TV shows or YouTube videos in English? Use them to improve your fluency. Choose a short part of a show and repeat it line by line. Try to match the tone, speed and even the accent (if you can). It doesn't matter if you miss a few words, the important thing is to keep talking. Try to sound just like the native speakers on the show.

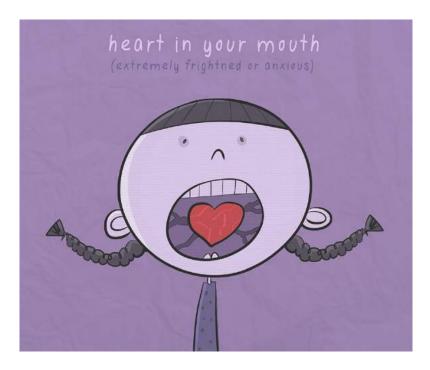


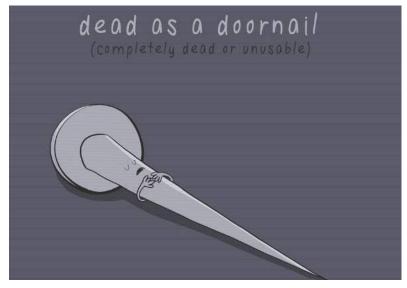
DIOMS











Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Everybody errs. The best of those who have erred are those that repent."

[Tirmidhi, Qiyamah (Doomsday), 49; Ibn Al-Majah, Dhuhd (Observance of Devotions), 30]



Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said:

"Whoever does not show affection to the young and respect to the old is not one of us."

[Tirmidhi, Birr (Piety), 15; Aboo Dawood, Adab (Manners) 66]



A SELECTION FROM BEST PHOTOS OF 2018

National Geographic's 100 best images of the year.

At night gray reef sharks hunt as a pack in the south channel of Fakarava Atoll, in the Tuamotu Archipelago in French Polynesia. Photographer Laurent Ballesta's team, diving without cages or weapons, counted 700 sharks.

PHOTOGRAPH BY LAURENT BALLESTA



Moon jellies, found all over the world, are named for their otherworldly, translucent bells. The fringe of hairlike cilia sweeps food—mostly plankton—toward their mouths. The jellies change color depending on what they eat.

PHOTOGRAPH BY DAVID LIITTSCHWAGER



This young elephant, lovingly cared for at a retreat in Nairobi, was orphaned in Masai Mara when her mother was shot with a poisoned arrow.

PHOTOGRAPH BY HAMILTON JAMES



Pants made of polar bear fur identify Naimanngitsoq Kristiansen, an Inuit man from Qaanaaq in northwestern Greenland, as a seasoned hunter. With sea ice thinning every year, his dogsled journeys have grown increasingly hazardous.

PHOTOGRAPH BY PAUL NICKLEN



A butterfly catcher on Bacan island, Indonesia, sorts his specimens, which he'll sell in Bali. From there the butterflies are exported throughout Asia and on to collectors worldwide.

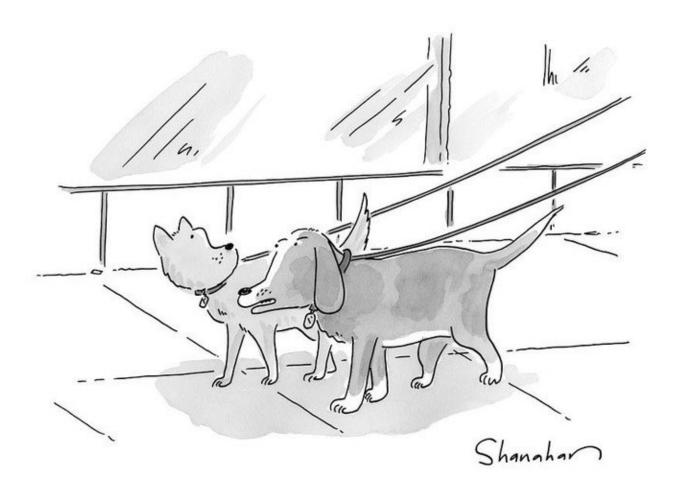
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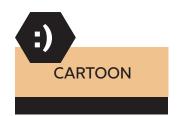
Pincushion shrubs and shards of rock don't trouble the puma known as Sarmiento, at center, or her 11-month-old cubs, huddled up at the end of a winter's day above Lake Sarmiento, near Chile's Torres del Paine National Park. The matriarch, who has raised several generations of cubs, spends most of her time hunting— and napping—along this waterfront.

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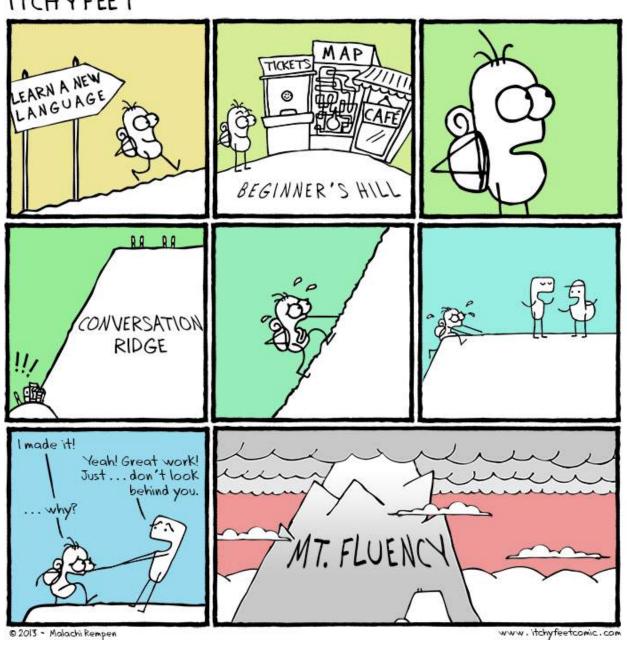




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