

Knowledge Organiser Year 6 history: What did the Early Islamic Civilisation leave behind?

Key Vocabulary	
Rashidun. Umayyad Abbasid	The names of the first three Islamic Caliphates .
Caliphate	An Islamic form of government.
International trade	The Islamic Caliphate was located at the centre of both overland and marine trade routes. These formed part of the Silk Road .
Infrastructure	Roads, forts, bridges, irrigation, universities, hospitals etc
Silk Road	a network of Asian trade routes active from the second century BCE until the mid-15th century.
Loan words	Word borrowed from a donor language and incorporated into a recipient language.
Baghdad	The capital city of Iraq (was established on 30 July 762 AD in the Abbasid Era)
House of Wisdom	Abbasid -era library in Baghdad, modern-day Iraq
Greco-Arabic translation movement	was a large, well-funded, and sustained effort responsible for translating a significant volume of secular Greek texts into Arabic.

House of Wisdom
The House of Wisdom was built primarily as a library. The writings of the Greeks, Romans and Arabs were collected here. Scholars and philosophers, such as Aristotle and Plato, had their ideas translated here.

The Round city of Baghdad
Baghdad was a huge circular city where great advances in mathematics and science were made. The city included beautiful palaces, mosques, gardens, libraries and parks.

Important people in Islamic History:

-  The early Islamic doctor **Al-Zahrawi** is known as 'the father of surgery'.
-  **Ibn Al-Haytham** made the world's first camera or pinhole camera.
-  Al-Khwarizmi worked at the House of Wisdom. He is famous for his contributions to the development of **algebra**.
-  The early Islamic doctor **Muhammad Ibn Zakariya Razi** made a significant contribution to the history of medicine.



Silk Road
The **Silk Road** was a vast trade network connecting Southern Europe, East Asia and East Africa via land and sea routes. It earned its name from Chinese silk, a highly valued commodity that merchants transported along these trade networks. The Silk Road was over 9,000 kilometres long.
To the left is a map showing the major route that traders took along the ancient Silk Road.

Timeline/ chronology

Some Spanish words of Arabic origin with the prefix al-:

Hispanic Arabic	Spanish	English
al-bañí	albañil	builder
al-habaqa	albahaca	basil
al-burnus	albornoz	bathrobe
al-qadi	alcalde	mayor
al-qasr	alcázar	fortress

