A
abaya
Abbasid
ʿAbd al-ʿAziz
ʿAbd al-Hamid (Arabic); Abdülhamit (Turkish)
Aden Protectorate
ʿAdnani
Afghan War
agha
ʿAʾisha
Akkar
al-Andalus
ʿAlawi
Al Saʿud (family)
ʿAli
ʿālim / pl. ʿulamaʾ
aliyah (Hebrew)
Allah
ʿAmili (as in Jabal ʿAmil)
amir
Amman
ancien regime
Ansar Allah
anti-Semitic
Arab renaissance
Arabian peninsula
Yasir Arafat
arak
archrival
Hafiz al-Asad (Syrian pres.)
Ashkenazi(m)
ʿAshuraʾ
Asia Minor
Azerbaijan

B
Baalbek
Baburnama
Bahai (adj. + n.: s. + pl.)
Baʿth Party
bazaar, *bāzārī*
bedouin (s. + pl.)
Bekaa
Belarus
belles-lettres
bey
bilād al-makhzan
Bilad al-Sham or *bilād al-shām*
bilād al-sība
Bint Jbeil
Black (people, studies, etc.)
Bosporus
businesspeople
by-product

C
Camp David Accords
caliphate
Capitulations
casbah
Central Asia
20th century (n.); 20th-century (adj.)
city–state
clientelism
Cold War
companions (to the Prophet)
Constitutional Revolution (Iran, Turkey)
co-opt
counterbalance
counterinsurgency
Covenant of ʿUmar
Crusades (historical)

D
Damascus
daʿwa (call)
al-Daʿwa (org.)
the Delta
dhimmī (Arabic); *zimmi* (Turkish)
Diaspora (biblical Jews; else, diaspora)
Dijarbakr (Arabic); Diyarbekir (Turkish)

E
Eastern Bloc
East India (Company)
effendi / *effendiyya*
embassy; e.g. Russian embassy
etatism

F
Faisal (Saudi king; otherwise Faysal)
faqīh / pl. *fuqahāʾ*

fatwa
fellah / pl. fellahin
Fertile Crescent
firman
firsthand
follow-up
Free French (adj. + n.)
Free Officers' coup

G
galabiya
Gaza Strip
GDP gross domestic product
Geniza (Cairo)
geopolitical
global North/South
GNP gross national product
grassroots
Great Power
Great Seljuqs
Great Syrian Revolution (1920s)
Great Terror (Stalin)
Greater Lebanon
Greater Syria
groundbreaking
the Gulf (Persian or Arabian)
Gulf War

H
Haaretz
Habash (Ethiopia)
hadith
hajj
hakim (ruler)
ḥakīm (wise)
halal
halfhearted
hammam
Hanafi
Hanbali
Hashimite
Hidden Imam
hijab
Hijaz
hijra
Hizbullah
Holy Land
houri
Houthi / pl. Houthis
Husayn (ibn ʿAli)
Hussein (king of Iraq or Jordan)

I
ijtihād
ikhwān (brothers)
al-Ikhwan (al-Muslimun)
Ilkhanid (dynasty, period)
ʿilm
imam(ate) (Arabic); imaret (Turkish)
IMF International Monetary Fund
the International (USSR)
Internet
Iran–Iraq War
Iraq War
Islamicate
Islamic Republic of Iran (but an Islamic republic)
Islamic Revolution or Iranian Revolution (but 1979 revolution)
Ismaʿili

J
al-Jamaʿa al-Islamiyya
Janissaries
Jewish state
jihad
jinni/ pl. jinn
Judeo-Christian

K
Kaʿba
kafir
kaffiyeh
khedive
Khomeini
Kifaya movement

L
Osama bin Laden (but Bin Laden)
laissez faire
Lebanese Civil War (but 1982 war)
less-developed countries (LDC)

Levant
long *durée*
long-standing
long-term (adj.)
longtime
Lower Egypt
lower-middle class

M
macronational
madhhab / pl. *madhāhib*
madrasa
Maghrib(ian)
Mahdi; Mahdist; Mahdiyya; *al-mahdī almuntaẓar*
Naguib Mahfouz
majlis
majlis al-shūrā
Maliki
Mamluk (dynasty)
mamluk (slave/soldier)
Mandate (n./adj., British or French)
Mashriq
masjid
Mecca Protocol
medina (indef.); Medina (in Saudi Arabia)
Messiah; messianic
metropole
mid-1920s
Middle East studies
Middle Eastern
midsummer
mihrab
millet (Turkish); *milla*/*millat* (Arabic)
minbar
minister of education (except when title preceding name)
Ministry of Education
Mizrahi(m)
Mossadegh
Husni Mubarak
muezzin
mufti
Mughal
Muhammad
Muharram
mujahidin
mulla
Muslim (*muslim* in Arabic phrases)
Muslim Brothers
Muʿtazila

N
-nama (suffix meaning *book*)
Gamal Abdel Nasser
nakba / the Nakba
nation–state
neocolonial
Night Journey
nonelite
nonnegotiable
Nowruz

O
Old City (Jerusalem)
ongoing
Ottoman Empire

P
padishah
Pan-Arabism
Pan-Islam(ic)
Peasant Revolt of 1919
per se
Persian (*not* Farsi)
petite bourgeoisie
petrodollar
Pharaonic
PhD
PLO
policymaker/making
the (Sublime) Porte
postcolonial
post-Ottoman
postwar
post World War II
Praetorian
preempt
preexisting
pro-government
the Prophet (Muhammad)

Q
Qaboos (sultan of Oman)
Qaddafi (Muammar el)
qadi
al-Qaʿida
Qizilbash
quasi-state
Qurʾan(ic)

R
raison d'être
Ras al-Khaimah
the Reconquest (of Spain)
reexamine
rentier state
Republican (Party); republican (indef.)
republican Turkey
revisit
rial

S
Safavids
ṣaḥwa (awakening)
al-Sahwa (Iraqi org)
Salafi/Salafism or *salafī*/*salafiyya*
salat (*ṣalāa* in Arabic phrases)
salnames (Ottoman state registers)
Sanaa
Sasanian
sayyid / pl. *sāda*
secondhand
security zone (Israel)
self-interest
Seljuq
Shafiʿi
shah; Reza Pahlavi Shah
Shahnama (Book of Kings)
shariʿa
sharīf / pl. *ashrāf*
shawarma
shaykh / pl. shaykhs
shaykh al-Islam (Arabic); sheikh ül-Islam (Turkish)
Shebʿa farms
Shiʿi (n. + adj.); Shiʿa (pl.); Shiʿi Islam; Shiʿism [*sic*]
Sinai Peninsula
Six Day War (but 1967 war)
smallholder (*n*) socioeconomic/sociopolitical
South Lebanon
Southwest Asia
state capitalism
state feminism
State of Israel
status quo
sub-Sahara(n)
subcontinent (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, etc.)
successors (to the Prophet)
Sudan (*not* the Sudan)
Suez Crisis/Suez War
Sufi(sm)
Süleiman (the Magnificent)
sultan
sumud
sunna
Sunni
suq
Surah / surah (indef.)

T
Tanzimat
tarbush
Tehran
Third World
Timurid
Tobacco Protest (Iran)
top-down
trade-off
Transjordan
tsarist Russia
Turkish War of Independence
Turkmen (adj. + n.: s. + pl.)
twelfth imam
Twelver (Shiʿa)

U
ʿulamaʾ / s. *ʿālim* (Arabic); ulema (Turkish)
ultranational
umma
underdeveloped
Upper Egypt

upper-middle-class status
ʿUrabi revolt

V
vakıf (Turkish)
vali (Turkish)
vatan (Turkish)
vilāyat-i faqīh (Persian)
vilayet (Turkish)
vizier (Turkish)

W
Wafd Party
Wahhabism; Wahhabi
wālī / pl. *awliyāʾ* (Arabic)
waqf / pl. *awqāf* (Arabic);
war on terror
waṭan (Arabic)
wazīr (Arabic)
website
white (people)
World War I, II
worldview

Y
Yishuv, Old/New
Yom Kippur War (but 1973 war or October war)
Young Turk
Young Turk Revolution (but 1908 revolution)

Z
zakat
Zaydi / Zaydism
Zaynab (bint ʿAli)
Zionist lobby