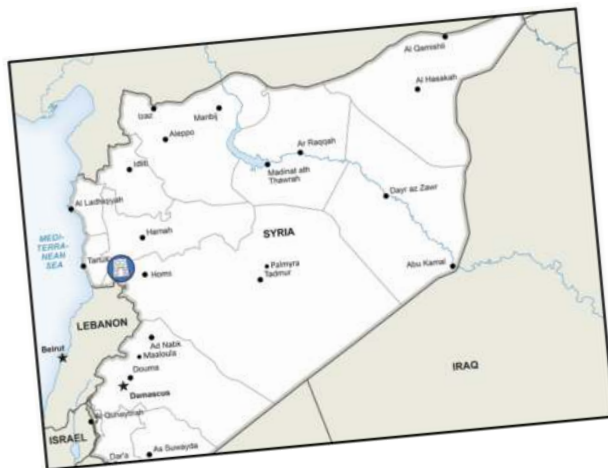
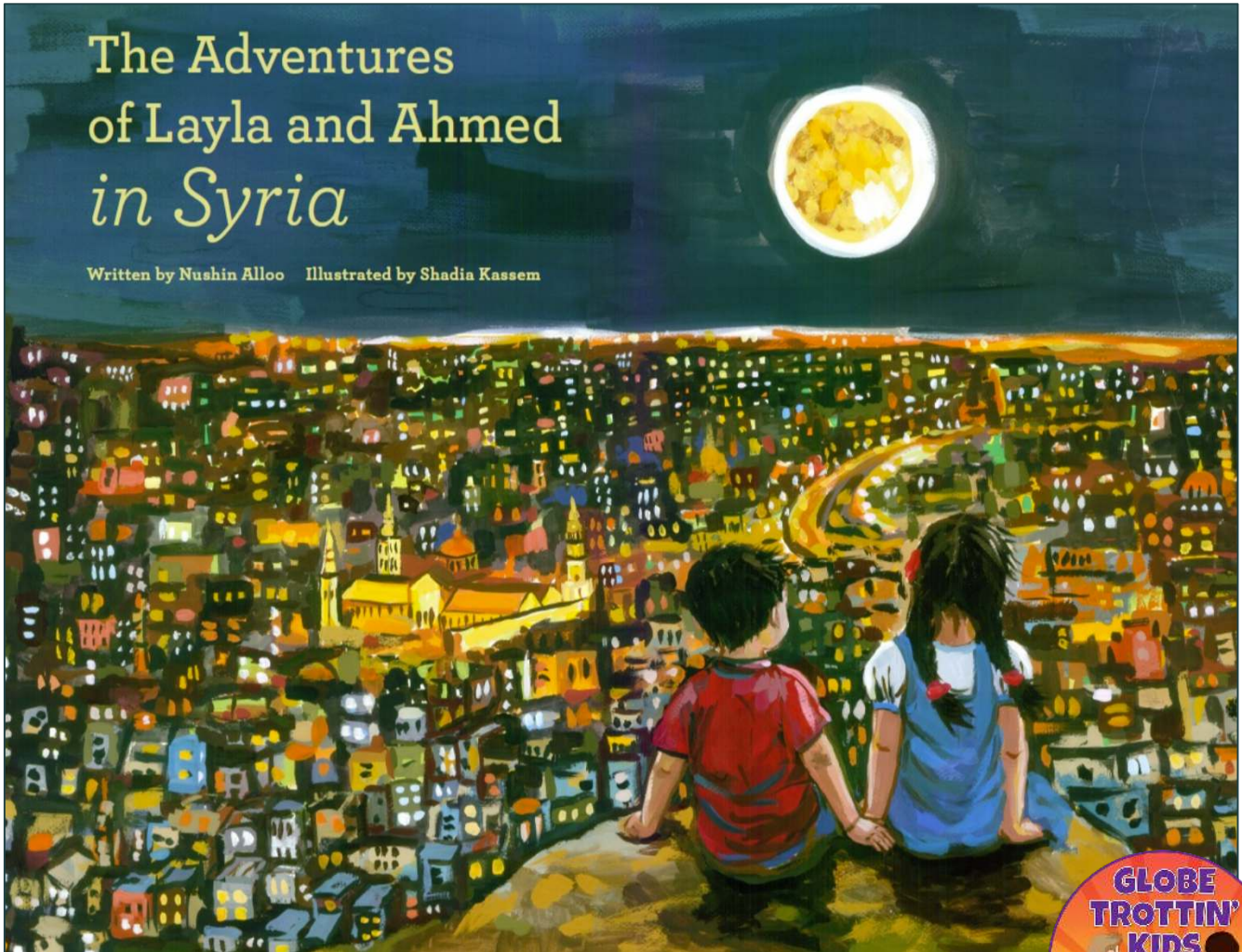


Read Your World

The Adventures of Layla and Ahmed *in Syria*

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Story Activities

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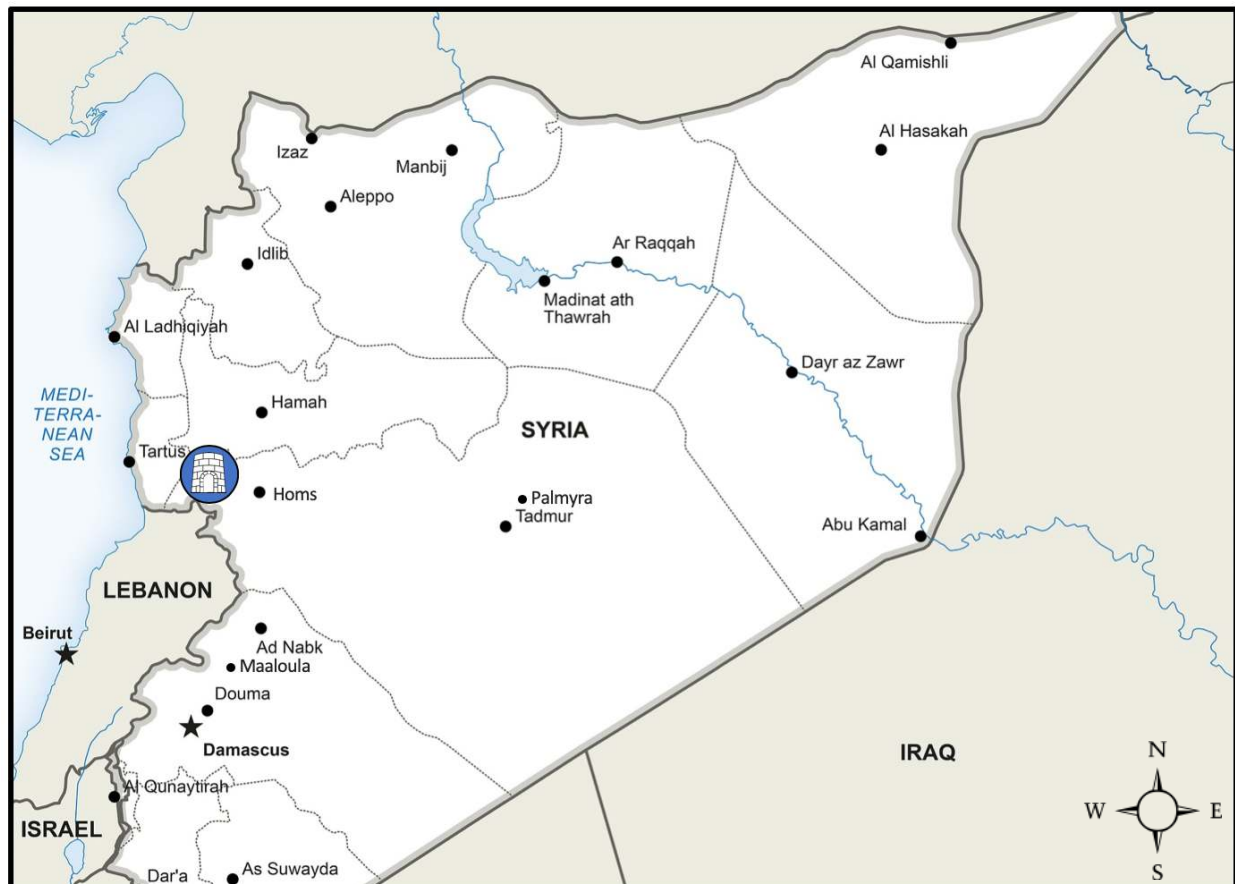
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Map the Story

Start at **Krak des Chevaliers**, the castle icon, and write the directions for following Laila and Ahmed's adventure in Syria. Use the story for support.

Click [here](#) to read more about each place.

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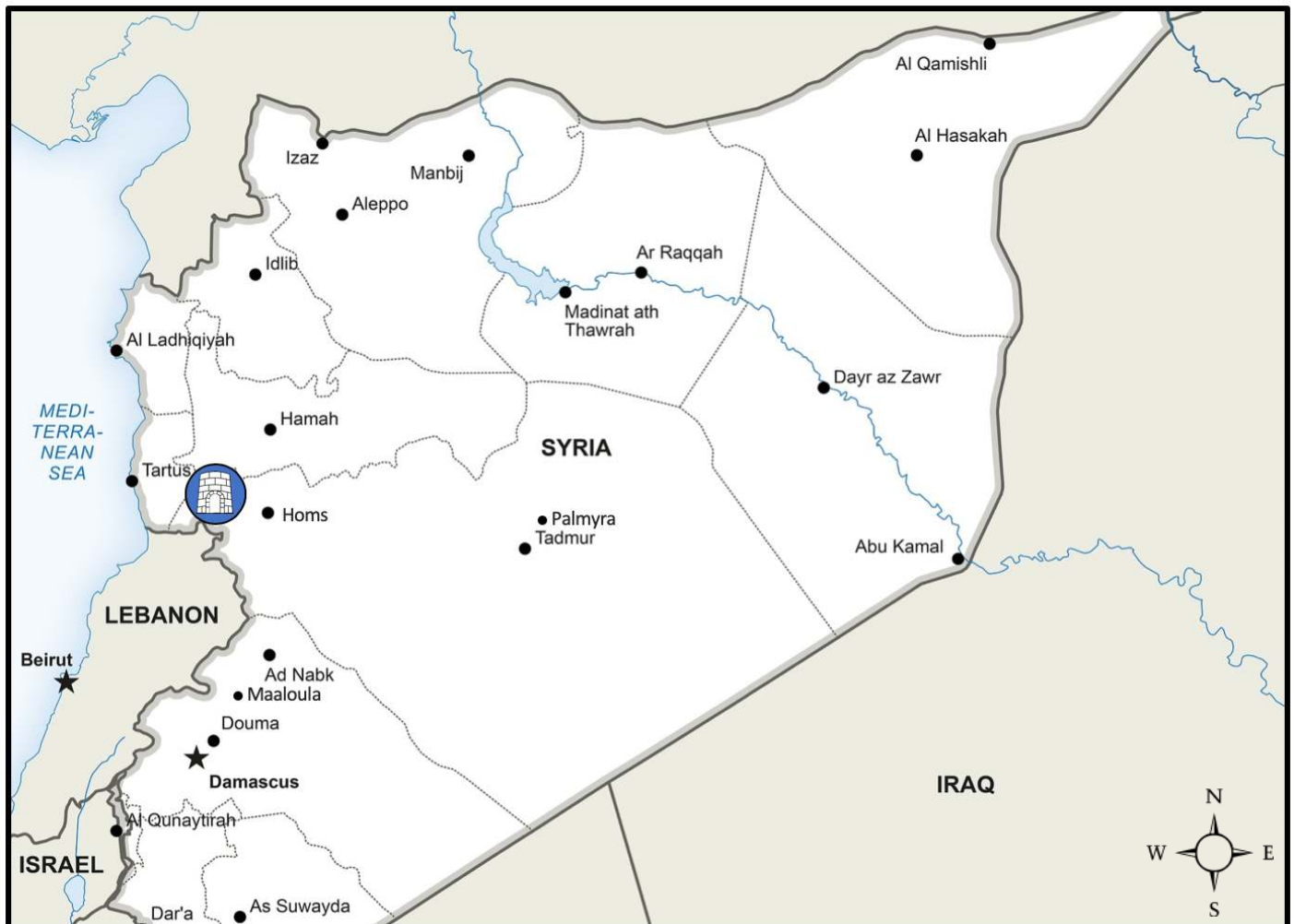
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Map the Story

Follow the directions to track Laila and Ahmed's adventure in Syria.
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1. Begin at **Krak des Chevaliers** – a castle built by Crusaders hundreds of years ago (find the *castle* icon).
2. Travel northeast to **Aleppo** –one of the oldest cities in the world. Draw a *souq* icon.
3. Head southwest to **Hama** –famous for its waterwheels. Draw a *waterwheel* icon.
4. Now go southeast to **Palmyra** – the city of dates. Draw a *dates* icon.
5. From here, travel southwest to the village of **Maaloula** – home to Syria's oldest church. Draw a *village* icon.
6. Make your way to the final stop, the capital city of **Damascus** – a place “where legends were made.” Draw a *mountain* icon to represent Mount Qasioun- the mountain overlooking the city.



Name:

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Story Nouns

Match the person, place or thing to its correct description.

- Ibn Battuta
- souq
- bedouin
- camel
- mosque
- waterwheel
- dates
- oasis
- Queen Zenobia
- oud
- Rihla
- helps farmers water their plants and trees
- one of greatest queens of all time
- can survive months without water in the hot desert
- a place of worship
- Grandpa's travel journal
- Arabic guitar
- one of the only places in the desert with water
- person of the desert
- famous 14th century Moroccan traveler
- sweet fruit
- covered market with stalls of sweets and spices

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Story Nouns

List examples of people, places, and things from the story.
Include a brief description for each.

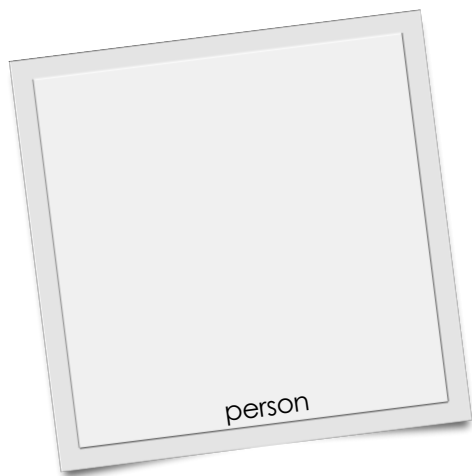
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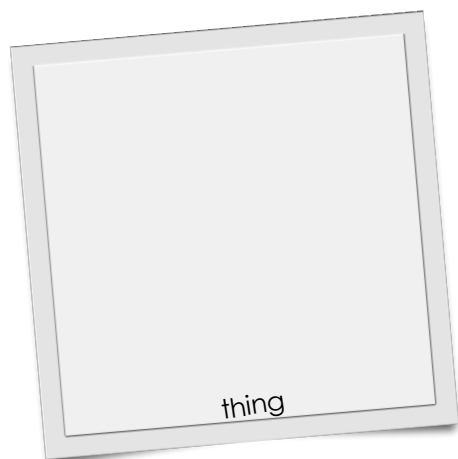
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Country Nouns

Choose a person, place and thing that you want people to remember about your country's history or culture. Include a sketch and a brief description.







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Rhyming Couplets

Grandpa's clues were written in rhyming couplets (AABB).

List examples of rhyming words from Grandpa's clues.
Add two or more of your own examples that rhyme with his.

Story Rhymes

hand, land

My Rhymes

sand, band, strand, bland
