



## Families and Backyards

<b>Topic:</b> Families	<b>Grade Level:</b> Middle School	<b>Time:</b> 1 class period of 40-50 minutes
<b>Lesson Goal:</b> Students will use, learn, compare and contrast American families with families from the Middle East		
<b>Lesson Objectives:</b>  Student will:  Watch <i>Windows and Mirrors</i> DVD-Middle East Families.  Research family life in the Middle East.  Find similarities and differences between American families and Middle East families.  Find pictures from CulturalJam.org website to increase understanding of families and living arrangements.		
<b>Materials Needed:</b> <i>Windows and Mirrors</i> DVD Computers with Internet access		<b>Vocabulary:</b>
<b>Lesson:</b> <b>10 minutes:</b> Large Group- View Families on <i>Windows and Mirrors</i> DVD-Middle East		
<b>10 minutes:</b> Look at pictures on CulturalJam.org website to increase understanding of families and living arrangements in other cultures. Research Middle East cultural as related to families. Answer the following questions: What is education like in the Middle East? Do all children go to school? What are the school building like and/or located? Do male and females go to the same school? What subjects do they study? What types of activities do the families participate in? (Sports, Hobbies, etc.) What do Middle East families put emphasis on? (school, sports, religion, work, etc.		

## Windows & Mirrors-Middle East-DVD Study Guide

Answer the same questions for American families.

**15 minutes:** Large group discussion of similarities and differences between families and living arrangements.