Iran

Digital Resources and Children’s Books

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Kid Friendly Videos:

History of Iran in 5 Minutes - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60IDTAg33K0

Iran in a Nutshell - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IUbo--ZIQds

Persians and the Greeks – Crash Course History - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q-mkVSasZIM

A Journey to Iran - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZnHd0jgH2k

Crash Course History – Islam - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tpcbfxtdol8

Websites:

Overview: http://www.atozkidsstuff.com/iran.html

BBC About Islam - http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/


New Years in Iran: http://kids.asiasociety.org/explore/new-year-iran-norouz

Secondary Websites (Grades 6+)

Iran Hostage Crisis: http://encyclopedia.kids.net.au/page/ir/Iran_Hostage_Crisis
Lesson Plans:

General Information: [https://kidskonnect.com/places/iran/](https://kidskonnect.com/places/iran/)

“Talkin’ ‘Bout a Revolution” (Grades 3-5):

Middle/High School Lessons:

The Iran-Contra Affair: [http://herb.ashp.cuny.edu/items/show/1582](http://herb.ashp.cuny.edu/items/show/1582)


Webquest Activity for Persepolis Graphic Novel:

General List of 3-4 High School Iranian Lesson Plans:
[http://cmes.arizona.edu/outreach/lessons](http://cmes.arizona.edu/outreach/lessons)

Children’s Books:

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<th>Title: Rembrant and the Boy Who Drew Dogs</th>
<th>Author: Molly Blaisdell</th>
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<td>Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3</td>
<td>Publisher: Barron’s Educational Series (June 6, 2008)</td>
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Summary:
| **Title:** Extraordinary Women From the Muslim World  
**Author:** Natalie Maydell  
**Publisher:** Global Content Publishing  
**ISBN-10:** 0979990106  
**Summary:** Grades 5 & up. Multi-award winning picture book chronicling the lives of 13 Muslim women in history who have lived extraordinary lives and influenced their communities in a positive way, often overcoming extreme hardship and inaccurate stereotypes that have been placed on the role of women in Islam. Includes a story about Shirin Ebadi-Iranian Nobel Peace Prize Winner. |

| **Title:** Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood  
**Author:** Marjane Satrapi  
**Grade:** 8th-12th  
**Series:** Persepolis  
**Publisher:** Pantheon; First Edition  
**ISBN-10:** 037571457X  
**Summary:** *Persepolis* is Marjane Satrapi’s memoir of growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution. In powerful black-and-white comic strip images, Satrapi tells the story of her life in Tehran from ages six to fourteen, years that saw the overthrow of the Shah’s regime, the triumph of the Islamic Revolution, and the devastating effects of war with Iraq. The intelligent and outspoken only child of committed Marxists and the great-granddaughter of one of Iran’s last emperors, Marjane bears witness to a childhood uniquely entwined with the history of her country. |