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The Arabic-Loanword Quiz, KEY

Instructions: Match each word of Arabic origin on the left with the English sense of the loanword on the right.

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| 1. _D_ inshallah | A. red dye from an insect |
| 2. _H_ admiral | B. fragrant shrub |
| 3. _A_ crimson | C. demon |
| 4. _J_ caviar | D. God willing, maybe |
| 5. _C_ ghoul | E. play at dice, gamble |
| 6. _E_ hazard | F. eyeliner made from antimony |
| 7. _B_ jasmine | G. boasting, flashy |
| 8. _F_ kohl | H. commander |
| 9. _G_ mafia | I. place that attracts many visitors |
| 10. _I_ Mecca | J. bread of lovers, fish eggs |

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| 1. _D_ lilac | A. castle in chess |
| 2. _J_ nadir | B. porter, public official |
| 3. _G_ orange | C. peace, hello, goodbye |
| 4. _A_ rook | D. indigo-colored shrub |
| 5. _H_ sofa | E. striped silk |
| 6. _C_ salaam | F. sand tablet |
| 7. _E_ tabby | G. orange |
| 8. _B_ vizier | H. long bench, divan, throne |
| 9. _F_ abacus | I. condensed |
| 10. _I_ yoghurt, yogurt | J. opposite from the zenith, low point |

MORE: Some estimates run as high as 1000+ Arabic words in English including:

alcohol

almanac

arsenal

algebra = "a thing"

our number system was borrowed from India and Arabic

zero=nothing, cipher

Many star names: Fomalhaut, Izar, Pherkad, etc.

date, the fruit, is Gk. "finger," not Arabic, from the resemblance