

Social Bookmarking (10%): Choose from the topics below or propose one of your own. You will research the topic and track digital artifacts related to it in your own Diigo account, posting at least two items weekly between Sept. 8 and Nov. 21 (that's ten weeks, 20 artifacts in all). You can start with a broad topic first and narrow it down as you learn more. Post anything you like: YouTube clips, news articles, Twitter accounts, images, websites, etc.

Sample Rubric: Each of the 20 items in your Diigo library will be evaluated for the following criteria for 200 points total: 5 points for basic completion; 1 point for adding keyword tags (at least three per item); 2 points for a two-sentence generally summary of the item; 1 point for annotating (highlighting something interesting in the artifact or adding a text comment to it.)

Turkey

- Ottoman revivalism
- Syrian intervention
- Kurdish question

Iran

- Nuclear program
- Political reform
- Regional strategies
- Cyber warfare

Egypt

- Muslim Brotherhood
- Coptic question
- Women's rights
- Labor and economics
- Sinai disturbances
- Arts and literature
- Cyber activism
- Youth politics
- Constitutional reform
- Mubarak prosecution
- Soccer hooliganism

Tunisia

- Secularism vs. Islamism
- Economics and youth
- Women's rights

Libya

- Civil war
- Constitutional reform
- Benghazi Consulate

Saudi Arabia and GCC

- Shia question
- Women's rights
- Petroleum economics
- Middle Class Expansion
- Migrant labor
- Media
- Political succession and democratization
- Qatar, Bahrain or UAE

Syria

- Intervention
- Post-Assad Government
- Chinese and Russian strategic interests
- Chemical weapons
- ISIS/Iraq
- Sectarianism

Lebanon

- Syria and Hezbollah
- Sectarianism
- Islamic State

Israel/Palestine

- Boycott, Sanction and Divestment Movement
- One-State/Two-State Dilemma
- Hamas

- Youth culture and activism
- Settlement expansion/security barrier

Yemen

- Drone attacks
- Transitional government
- Sectarian conflict

General Topics

- IMF and World Bank
- Global War on Terror
- Human rights
- Gender and rights
- US regional strategies
- Global cultures
- Urban space