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Proposal Research

Nomadic Tribes in the Arab Peninsula

For centuries, the Bedouin tribes have been known as the "The Desert Dwellers", in Arabic "Bedu".

Bedouin is a term that is commonly used in the Middle East to indicate people who live outside the urban centres and who mainly live a nomadic or seminomadic existence, or directly descend from these people. The term is derived from Arabic badiya, which refers to the desert and the term badu, which refers to a person living in the desert. The Bedouin refer to themselves as Arabs and more specifically identify themselves with a particular tribe, many of which originated from what is now Saudi Arabia.

Being nomadic also means adaptability which leads to innovative solutions to everyday living, especially in the 14th century where these desert dwellers move from one place to another, having a specific type of clothing for storage, at the same time, serving as a protective layer against harsh conditions in the warm climates.

I personally love to research this topic because, like much of us come from many cultures at the point we do not know to define ourselves. Being adaptable isn't about survival, but it means doing things that serves us only. Knowing what is essential and what is not.

Often I find topics related to European, English and Asian culture for instance. Not often do we know of these cultures that exists in the Arabic culture.