Friday, December 14

Opener: vocabulary; "White Elephant" gift exchange and Islamic lanterns; Aladdin.

Thursday, December 13

Opener: vocabulary; Islam test; Islamic lantern project.

Wednesday, December 12

Opener: context clues; test review; novel project sharing; Islamic lantern project.

Tuesday, December 11

Opener: review of five Pillars of Islam; current events; peer editing groups; read aloud; Islam Presentations and ISN notes for 9.7-9.10.

Monday, December 10

Opener: journal; SIRP; self editing for literary papers; read aloud; Islam presentations and ISN notes for 9.3-9.6

Friday, December 7

Opener: reading update; SIRP; conclusions for literary essays and time in the lab to type; Islam presentation preparation. Seventh and eighth graders spent second period participating in a PPS career education activity.

Thursday, December 6

Opener: topic sentences; body paragraphs for literary essay; Islam group presentation preparation.

Wednesday, December 5

Opener: sentences; Word Power Quiz; body paragraphs for literary essay; read aloud; Islam "jigsaw" reading and presentation preparation.

Tuesday, December 4

Opener: vocabulary; hook and introductory paragraph for literary essay (note: all handouts available as links under Assignments tab); read aloud; Muhammad's life comic; introduction to Pillars of Islam (preview and 9.1).

Word Power Quiz tomorrow on: spurious, benevolent, acquiesce, parochial, partisan, taciturn, irrefutable, innate, iconoclast.

Monday, December 3

Opener: journal; thesis statements for literary essay; read aloud; the spread of Islam (8.7-8.8); began Muhammad's life "comic."