

Warm-Up Activity:

Golfing in the Arab World



The PIF Saudi International, shown in 2023 at Royal Greens Golf and Country Club in King Abdullah Economic City, Saudi Arabia, is one of the premier sporting events in the Arab World.

Predicting

1. What does the image suggest about the role of golf in Saudi Arabia? Use two details from the image or caption to support your prediction.
2. Based on the title, images and caption, what do you think this reading will explain about golf in the Gulf?

Exploring the Theme

1. Have you ever tried a sport or activity that was difficult at first but became more enjoyable as you improved?
2. How can sports help shape a country's identity or inspire young people? Use an example from your own community or another place you know.

Confirming Your Prediction

3. If time allows, read over the first paragraph of the article. How does it confirm or challenge your earlier prediction?