

## Markets around the world

### **Khan Al-Khalili, Egypt**

The Khan Market is over 600 years old. It has 900 shops. Some of the wonderful things found there are items made of glass and beautiful metals, perfume, and jewelry. Many artists create their goods right in front of the shoppers. Go to the Street of the Tentmakers to see a wide selection of beautiful tents of many different colors and patterns. The covered markets on this street are the only ones left from medieval times in the city of Cairo, making them an important part of Egyptian history.



## Pike Place Market, United States

Some say Pike Place Market in Seattle, Washington is only for tourists. It's the oldest surviving market in the United States, attracting 40,000 people each day. Books, antiques, flowers, fruits and vegetables are sold here, plus a lot of fish. Watch out, though: when you order a fish, the workers might throw it across the shop for you to catch! You will not see many of the sellers creating their items right here. Most have shops outside of the market where they do their work. Since it was built over 100 years ago, it has been an important part of the culture of the Northwest.



## Grand Bazaar, Turkey

Istanbul's Grand Bazaar is about 500 years old. It is Turkey's largest covered market, with around 4,000 shops selling jewelry, carpets, ceramics, and goods made of brass and leather—all under fancy passageways spread across 60 streets. Almost 400,000 people go there each day. That's not all: along with shopping, the bazaar is home to a mosque, 21 hotels, seven fountains, and 18 gates. The bazaar is open Monday to Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and is a short walk to and from other important places in the city.



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