

# KEFFIYEH



All activities will be in relation to the Palestinian keffiyeh, its importance, heritage, tradition and symbolisms.

### **Learning outcomes:**

- An understanding in reference to the historical background of the Keffiyeh.
- Become a critical thinker.
- Develop creativity skills as well as self-esteem.





# THE HISTORY OF THE KIFFEYEH.



## What is the Keffiyeh?

The Keffiyeh is a traditional square shaped cotton scarf. It is a symbol of Palestinian nationalism and holds great meaning.

The Keffiyeh is believed to have originated way back in 300 BC, when the Sumerians and Babylonians wore the cloth to distinguish their honor, or high rank.

## Why do Palestinians wear the Keffiyeh?

Palestinians wear the keffiyeh as a symbol of unity and to stand against oppression. It is also worn by people around the world to signify their solidarity with Palestinians.

The Keffiyeh is also worn by farmers and Bedouins as protection from the high desert sun, heat, windswept sand and dust.



## Did you know?



The keffiyeh is also called "Kufiya", "Shemagh" or "Hattah".

It is found in many Arab countries such as Palestine, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and Bahrain.

There only remains one factory in the world which continues to weave the only original Keffiyeh made in Palestine: The Hirbawi family in Hebron.





## KEFFIYEH PATTERN





What do the patterns on the Keffiyeh mean? Write over the grey titles for copy work.

## Fishnet

The Fishnet pattern represents the Palestinian sailors and the Mediterranean Sea.

The olive leave pattern represents Strength, resilience and perseverance.



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### Word bank:

Olive Leaves

Fishnet

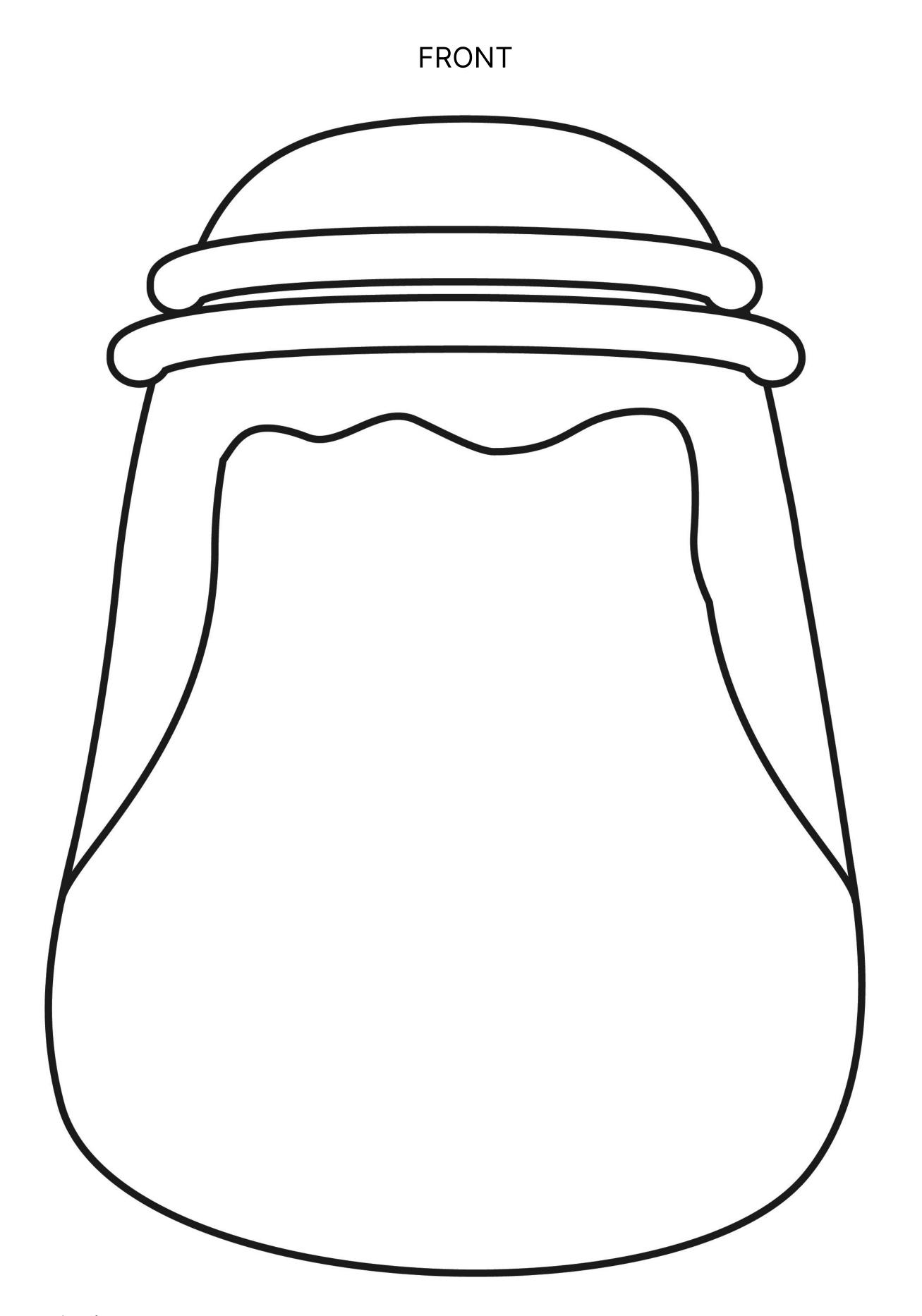
**Bold Route** 

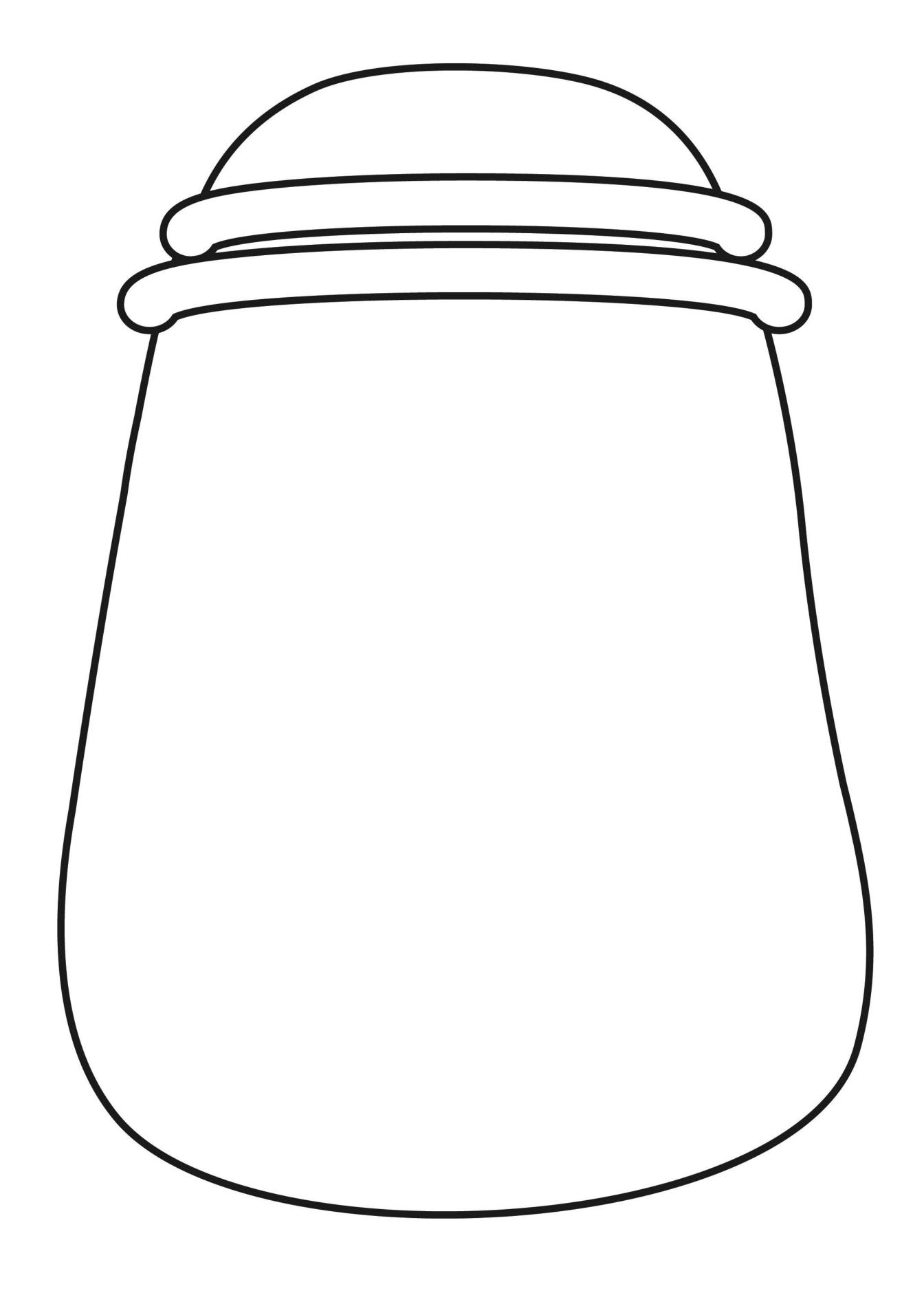
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Draw your own Keffiyeh Pattern, what would each pattern mean?



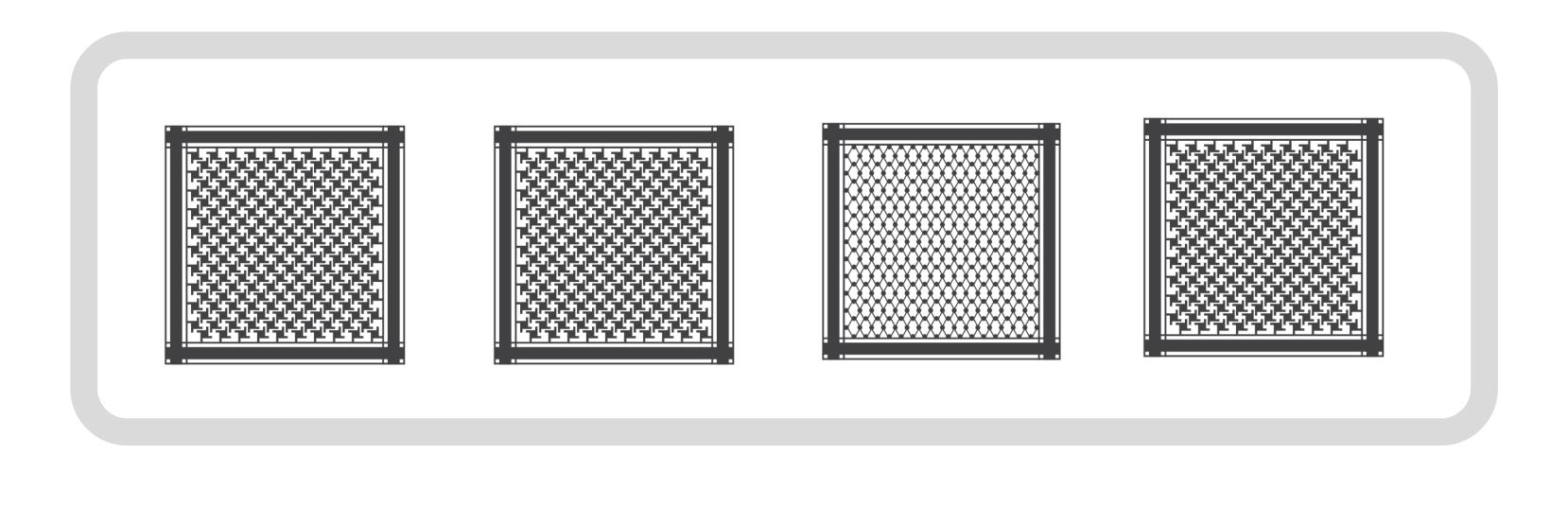


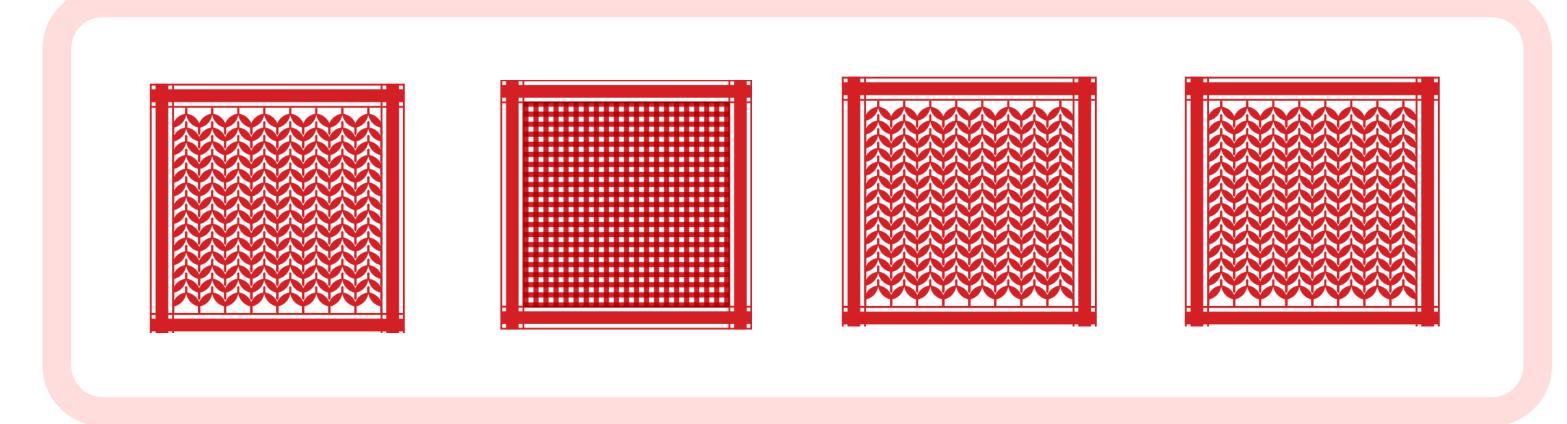


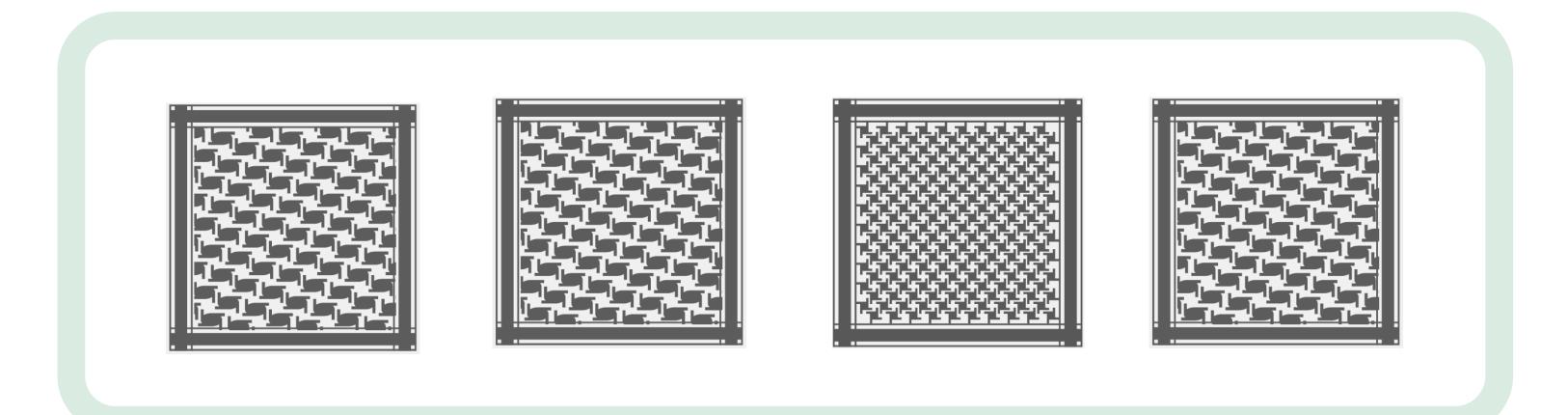
### THE ODD ONE OUT



Circle the odd Keffiyeh.









### **WORD SEARCH**



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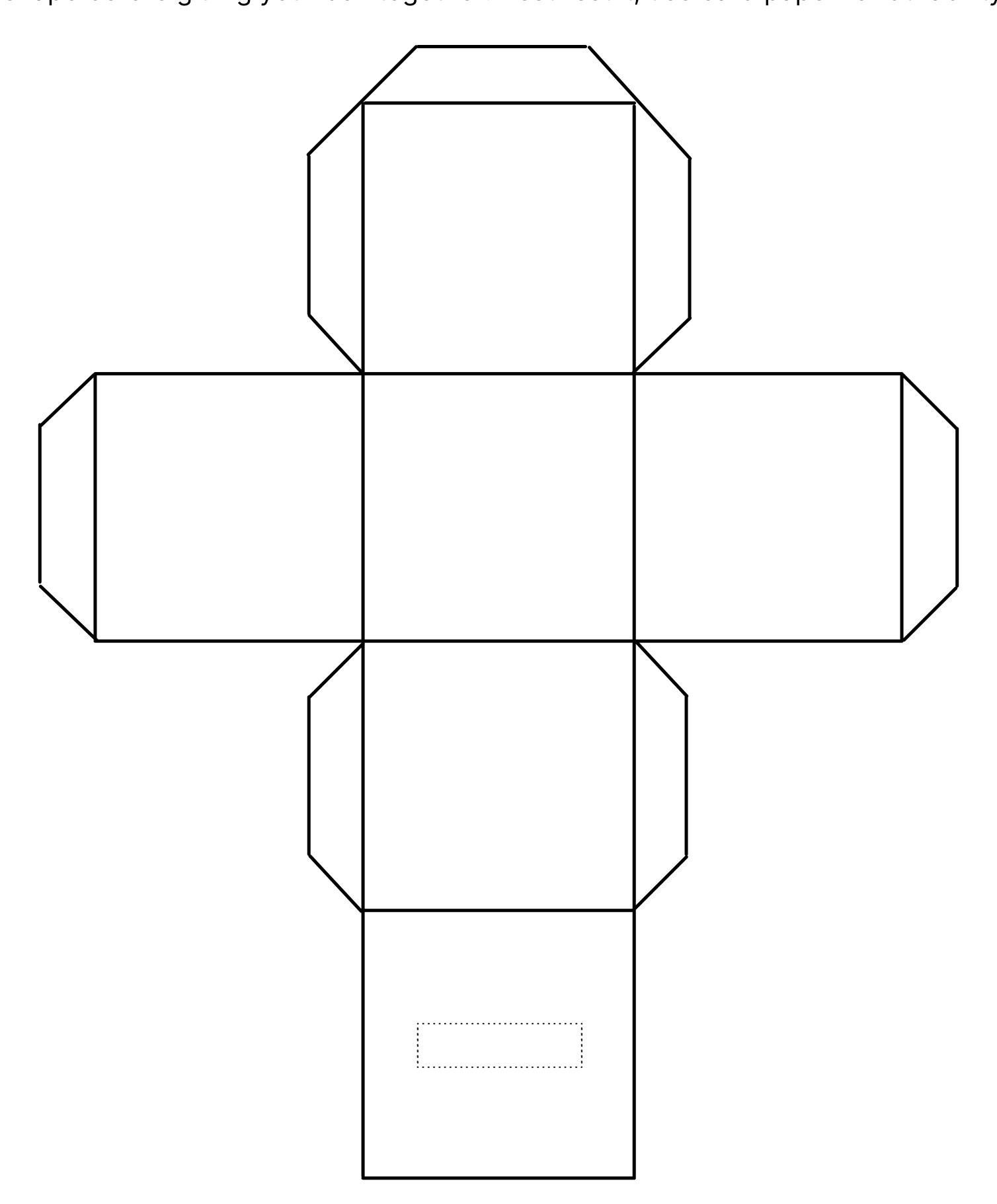
Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden  $\rightarrow$  and  $\Psi$  .

AL AQSA BOLD ROUTE FISHNET FREEDOM GAZA KEFFIYEH MASJID OLIVE LEAVES

PALESTINE UNITY



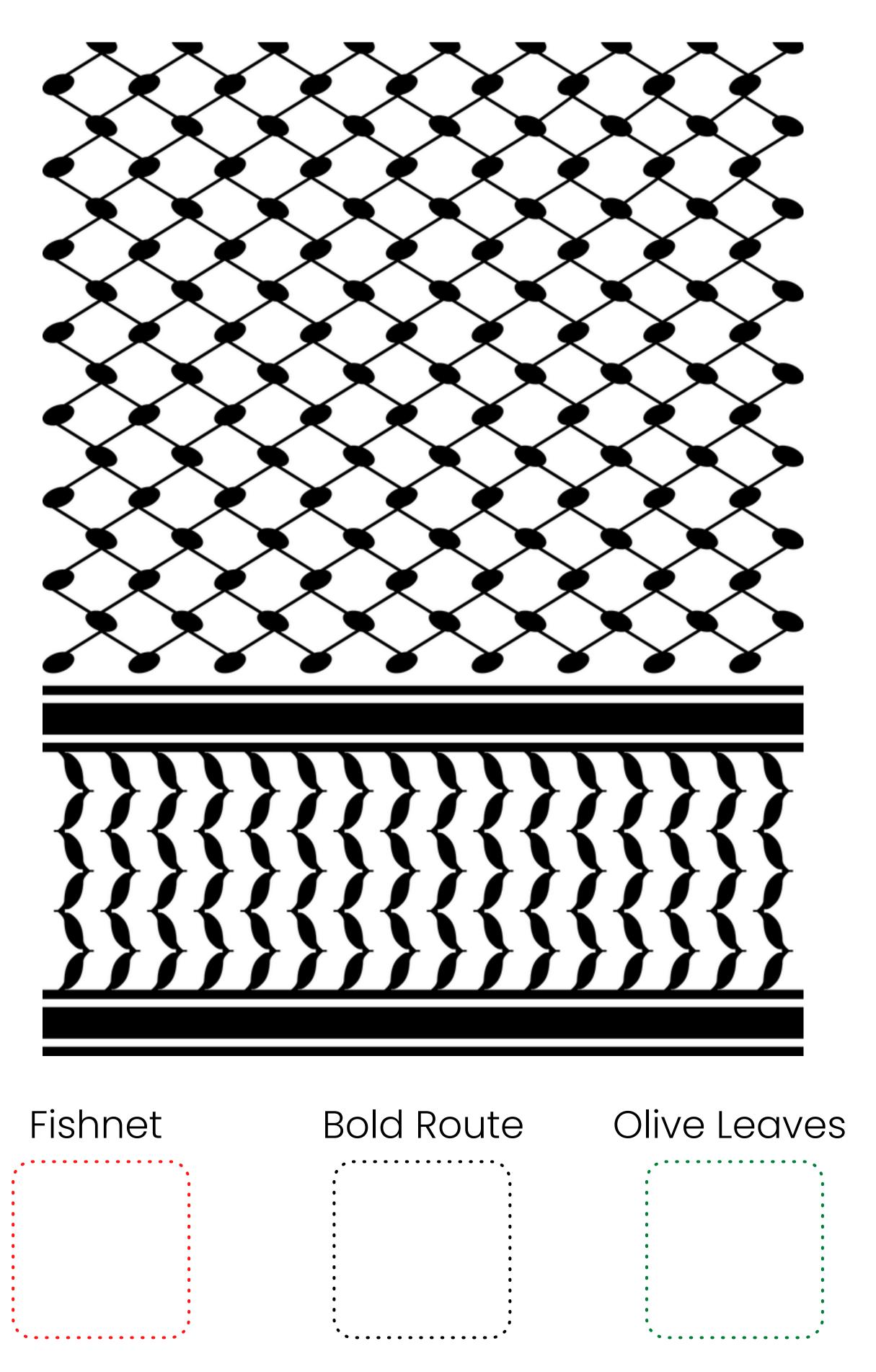
Create your own Sadaqah box for the Palestinian cause. Cut the rectangle shape before gluing your box together. Best result, use card paper for durability.







Lets put your amazing counting skills into practice! Count the patterns and write the number in the square.





### **EXTENTION**



If you would like to continue with this topic, here are some ideas.

## Book marks

DESIGN YOUR OWN BOOK MARKS USING INSPIRATION FROM THE KEEFIYEH PATTERNS.

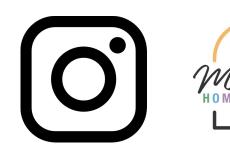
## Write

WRITE A PARAGRAPH ON WHY THE KEFFIYEH IS IMPORTANT TO THE PALESTINIANS.









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