

Stratagems Episode 6, 7 and 8: The Dubai Series

These episodes explore Dubai's transformation from a desert outpost to a global metropolis, covering its economic growth, sustainability efforts, historical milestones, and cultural evolution.

Books

- [*City of Gold: Dubai and the Dream of Capitalism*](#) – Jim Kramer (Fantastic overview of Dubai's history up to the early 2000's.)
 - [*The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money & Power*](#) – Daniel Yergin (Comprehensive history of oil and its impact on global economies, including Dubai.)
 - [*Seven Shaikdoms: Trucial Coast Before UAE Federation*](#) – Rosemarie Said Zahlan (Insight into the political and economic transformation of the UAE.)
 - [*The Trucial States*](#) – Donald Hawley (Historical background of the UAE before its formation.)
 - [*Origins of the United Arab Emirates: A Political and Social History*](#) – Rosemarie Said Zahlan (Political and social evolution of the UAE.)
 - [*Dubai: The Gilded Cage*](#) – Syed Ali (Examines Dubai's rapid transformation and social structures.)
 - [*My Vision: Challenges in the Race for Excellence*](#) – Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum (Insights from Dubai's ruler on the city's development.)
 - [*From Rags to Riches: The Story of Abu Dhabi*](#) – Mohammed Al-Fahim (The economic transformation of the Abhu Dhabi.)
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Articles & Reports

- [*Dubai's Sustainable Transformation \(2024\)*](#) – Sustainable Brands Journal (Explores Dubai's sustainability efforts and green initiatives.)
- [*Dubai Sustainable City \(2024\)*](#) – Sustainable Brands Journal (Overview of Dubai's eco-friendly urban development.)
- [*Future of Urban Living in Dubai*](#) – Novatr (Discusses innovations in real estate and infrastructure.)
- [*Dubai Flooding & Climate Change*](#) – CNBC (Impact of climate change on Dubai's infrastructure.)
- [*Dubai Sustainability Industry Report \(May 2024\)*](#) – Dubai Economic Department (Key sustainability trends in Dubai.)
- [*Effects of the Persian Gulf War*](#) – HistoryPlex (Impact of regional conflicts on Dubai's development.)
- [*Desert Storm in UAE*](#) – The National News (Recollection of the Gulf War's impact on the UAE.)

- [UAE-US Security Cooperation](#) – UAE Embassy (Overview of the UAE’s defense partnerships.)
 - [Dubai's Debt and Abu Dhabi](#) – Reuters (How Abu Dhabi’s financial support shaped Dubai’s economy.)
 - [The Rise of Dubai & Oil](#) – FossilFuel.com (How oil fueled Dubai’s initial growth and economic policies.)
 - [UAE History](#) – UAE Embassy (General history of the UAE’s formation.)
 - [New Taxes in UAE \(2025\)](#) – Damac Properties (Upcoming financial changes in Dubai.)
 - [Saudi Vision 2030](#) – Vision 2030 (Economic reform initiatives and their impact on the UAE.)
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Videos & Documentaries

- [Dan Harmon Story Circle: 8 Proven Steps to Better Stories](#) – YouTube (A discussion on narrative structures and their influence.)
 - [Interstellar - Dan Harmon's Story Circle](#) – YouTube (Breakdown of classic story arcs.)
 - [Surviving Without Water - Ben & James Versus The Arabian Desert - BBC](#) – YouTube (Traveling through the Arabian desert)
 - [Hidden Treasures in the World's Largest Oasis | Presented by Visit Saudi](#) – YouTube (An oasis in Saudi Arabia.)
 - [How Does An Oasis Form](#) – YouTube (Background on how oases form.)
 - [Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol \(2011\) - Climbing the Burj Khalifa Scene | Movieclips](#) – YouTube (Mission Impossible movie scene)
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