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**fl. 900s**

Persian astronomer and mathematician. Like many astronomers, Kushyar approached mathematics as an aid to his work, and took a particular interest in trigonometry, studying tangent functions and assembling new astronomical tables. Perhaps Kushyar's most famous work is *Kitab fi usul hisab al-hind* (translated in 1965 as *Principles of Hindu Reckoning*), in which he examined arithmetic as practiced in India. He also wrote on astrology.