

# TERM 2: Kindy – Year 6 Syllabus, 2024

# Know Allah (SWT), 6 Pillars of Iman

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# KINDY SYLLABUS

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# **LESSON 1: Shahadah (Declaration of Faith) (Pillar 1, Part 1)**

# (!) Class Rules Reminders:

- 1. We say "As-Salamu'alaykum," when we meet.
- 2. Raise a hand and wait for permission when you want to talk.
- 3. We listen politely to others when they are talking without interrupting.
- 4. We stay focussed by facing the teacher when he/she is talking.
- 5. We answer questions and participate in discussion.
- 6. We respect and look after our workbooks!

Last term we learnt that "Allah" is one of the Arabic words for God, and whenever we hear Allah SWT mentioned, we say "Subhanahu wa Ta'ala" (may He be glorified) out of respect for Allah SWT.

Let us remember that it is Allah SWT who **created everything** around us, the things we can see and those that we can't. He SWT made all the people, animals, plants, rivers, oceans, insects, planets, stars - every natural thing we see in the world!! Muslims believe that **there is only One God** - Allah SWT. He is the One and True Rabb /Lord!

This term we will learn about the 5 things/ duties that all Muslims should know and do. They are called the 5 Pillars of Islam. But first, what is a Pillar? A pillar is a strong thing, usually, a strong part of a building, that holds and supports other parts of a building (a column/ pole). In Islam, we have FIVE pillars that make us strong Muslims. (Show 5 fingers).

Let's begin with the first one. To show our belief in One God, Muslims say an important sentence in Arabic called the **Shahadah!** (Repeat '**Shahadah'** with students). The Shahadah is what makes us Muslim.

This special sentence is: (\*\*\*Point right index finger upwards and slowly say...)

Ashadu an la ilaha illa-lah,

I believe There is no God but Allah

wa ashadu anna Muhammadun rasūlu llāh

and I believe that Muhammad is His Messenger

Let's repeat the first part of the Shahadah in English and Arabic:

"La illaha illa Allah"

"There is no God but Allah"

Repeat x3 together in both Arabic & English.

### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Allah is our God This means that we only worship/believe in Allah SWT. We do not worship
  anything or anyone else. We only pray to Allah SWT, and we ask Allah SWT for help.
- There is so many rewards/ hasanat that we get whenever we say these special words! And the biggest reward will be Jannah! So, the Shahadah is the best thing we can ever say.

Let's practice the first part of our Shahadah together!



### **LESSON 2: Shahadah (Pillar 1, Part 2)**

Last week we started learning about the Shahadah, the first and the most important Pillar of Islam. And we practiced the first part of the Shahadah. Today, we will learn about **the second part** of the Shahadah. But before we begin, let's see who remembers the first bit we learnt last week?

**ASH-HADUN LĀ ʾILĀHA ʾILLĀ -LLĀH...** There is no god but ALLAH.

Ok. The next or second part of the Shahadah goes like this...

WA-'AŠHADU 'ANNA MUḤAMMADAN RASŪLU -LLĀH! This means I believe Muhammad SAW is the Prophet and Messenger of Allah SWT!

Muhammad SAW was especially picked by Allah SWT to be the last and final Messenger, so whenever you hear the **Prophet Muhammad** mentioned, it is important to say **SalAllahu alayhi Wassalam** to show respect. We get many rewards for showing this respect. So, let's see who is listening carefully and can say **SalAllahu alayhi Wassalam**.

A Messenger or Rasool is someone who delivers a message. Allah SWT's message is *La illaha illa Allah* (there is no God but Allah SWT). The last Messenger Allah sent was the Prophet Muhammad SAW. He was sent to teach the world **about Allah SWT and Islam**. So, we worship Allah SWT and **follow the actions and teachings of the Messenger Muhammad SAW.** 

What does it mean to follow someone's actions/ ways? It means you copy them and try to be like them. We need to copy the actions of Muhammad SAW if we want to be good Muslims like him. The Prophet Muhammad SAW always made others feel special and cared for. He was the best example for the whole world to follow because he taught us how to have excellent manners, to be kind and honest, and to treat people fairly and with respect. And most importantly, Prophet Muhammad SAW taught us about Allah SWT and how to please Him, so we love Prophet Muhammad SAW for completing this mission!

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#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

• Allah SWT tells us that Muhammad SAW was the best example for us to learn from, because he had the best manners and was the kindest and the most honest man. We should do our best to learn from our Prophet and be like him as much as we can, so Allah SWT can love us too!!!

### LESSON 3: Salah/ Prayer (Part 1)

Have you ever received a gift/ present? What is it you say to someone who gives you a gift? (Thank you!). Likewise, we need to thank Allah SWT for all the things He gave us. We can thank Allah SWT with the action of Salah/ praying. **Salah is the second Pillar of Islam for Muslims**. Salah is also how we ask Allah SWT for help and guidance.

How do you feel when someone says thank you? (*Good? Happy?*). Allah SWT loves it when we are thankful and appreciate the many things that He has given us - and when we are thankful, He gives us even more blessings and hasanat/reward!

Let's play the Alhamdulillah game and think about all the things we are grateful for.

This game is called <u>NAME</u> AND <u>ALHAMDULILLAH</u>. "Alhamdulillah" is how we say, "thank you, Allah," and "all praise is for Allah" in Arabic.



We will go around the class or you can put your hand up if you want to give it a go. To play you need to:

- 1. Firstly, say your NAME,
- 2. Secondly, ALHAMDULLIAH, thank you, Allah for.....

Subhan Allah so many things to thank Allah SWT for! Muslims pray and thank Allah SWT Five times a day! we will learn these next week Inshaa'Allah!

## **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- We can speak directly to Allah SWT through our prayer. How blessed Muslims are to have this beautiful friendship with Allah SWT! Praying helps us to gain Allah SWT's love and Rahma - His special kindness!!
- Praying gives us so many hasanat! Practice praying with an adult today to start earning rewards!

# LESSON 4: Salah (Part 2)

**Did you know:** Every single Muslim around the world prays in the **Qiblah** direction towards the Kaabah, the House of Allah SWT in Makkah?

We are called to Salah with the **Adhan**. (You may have heard this on someone's phone or the radio!) The Adhan is called before every prayer. There are five "Fard"/compulsory prayers, every day. These five prayers are:

- 1. **Fajr** early morning prayer before sunrise (it helps us start our day by remembering Allah SWT)
- 2. **Dhur** midday prayer (so we don't forget Allah SWT even during our busiest times!)
- 3. **Asr** afternoon when you get home from school
- 4. Maghreb when the sun sets and
- 5. **Isha** evening as you end your day you remember and thank Allah SWT.

### Learn the Salah Song! (\*\*highly recommended to use the worksheets and video)

5 Salah, 5 salah what are they...? (Wiggle five fingers)

**FAJR** is the first one to start my day! (Wiggle thumb and do thumbs up)

5 Salah, 5 Salah what are they...?

**DHUR**, in the middle of my day! (Wiggle 2 fingers)

5 Salah, 5 Salah what are they...?

**ASR**, now I'm more than halfway through the day! (Wiggle 3 fingers and do a half-half gesture)

5 Salah, 5 Salah what are they...?

MAGHREB, now the sun has gone away! (Wiggle 4 fingers, then put them down when you say

'sun has gone away')

5 Salah, 5 Salah what are they...?

**ISHAA**, now I am done for the day! (Make sleeping gesture with hands)

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**LESSONS LEARNT:** We have to pray 5 times a day, to stay connected with Allah SWT. When we stay connected, we stay doing the right actions that Allah SWT loves and keep away from doing the wrong actions. Again, don't forget the hasant!!



### **LESSON 5: Zakat (Pillar 3)**

Muslims are all one big family or community, called the Muslim *Ummah*. As Muslims, we want other Muslims to have the nice things that we have, like food, water, clothes, and a home. So that is why Allah SWT also told us we have to pay a special type of charity called Zakat (\*\*Repeat with class). The Zakat helps other Muslims who need help buying food, and water or having simple things like shelter or even clothes. Zakat is a beautiful practice of Islam that reminds us to look after each other! Zakat can also be used to build hospitals and many more things that help the community!

# **OPTIONAL Activity (\*\*requires brief preparation of props)**

### \*\*\*Props: FAKE Money prop in the form of either:

- some fake money from a \$2 Dollar Store
- OR some cut up slips of paper with \$10, \$20, or \$100 written on them.
- OR different coloured paper or post it notes with money values written on them (pink \$5, yellow \$50, blue \$10, orange \$20 and green\$100)
- OR cut out print outs of fake money templates (see ISRE Resource page at <a href="https://www.isre.org.au/wp-content/pdf/Australian-Fake-Notes.pdf">https://www.isre.org.au/wp-content/pdf/Australian-Fake-Notes.pdf</a>
- 1. Split the class into 2 unevenly sized groups: Group A and group B. <u>Put more students in Group B and only a few students in Group A.</u>
- 2. Hand out several "money notes" of each colour to each person in group A only.
- 3. Explain to the class that we are going to play an imaginary game so we can learn about how it feels to give and receive Zakat and that the sticky notes/paper/fake notes represent money. If they don't have any, it means that they don't have any money!
- 4. Ask group B how they feel not having any money. (Sad? Jealous? Angry? Worried?)
- 5. Ask group A how they feel knowing they have so much and knowing the others feel sad without any.
- 6. Now tell group A "it looks like you have some extra money to spare, and it is time to pay your Zakat! Their Zakat is only 1 or 2 notes to 1 poor person."
- 7. Ask, what have they have noticed? How did it feel to give Zakat? How did it feel to get Zakat?
- 8. Remind students that Allah SWT is the Most Generous and **loves when we are generous too**. Ask what could Group A "What could do further to help those in Group B?" Give some more voluntarily! This is extra generosity is called **Sadaqah** and Allah loves it when we give it!



# **LESSONS LEARNT:**

• This third Pillar of Islam shows us that Islam is a **caring** and fair **religion**. Zakat makes us thankful and thoughtful with our money and protects us from being greedy and **selfish**. Following the Pillars of Islam helps us all to live happily. Zakat teaches us that everyone can **play a part** in making this world a better place!

# **LESSON 6: Sawm Ramadan (Fasting Ramadan, Pillar 4)**

As Muslims Allah SWT told us we need to fast in a special month called Ramadan! Fasting means that you do not eat or drink from the time of the first prayer in the morning (Fajr) until the sun sets (Maghreb) (\*\*Revise 5 names of Salah times). Once it is the Maghreb we can eat and drink. Alhamdulilah, there are many good things that Muslims get from fasting:

- ✓ Learning to be thankful/grateful for the water and food that you have.
- ✓ Learning to have self-control and be patient when waiting for things that you want.
- ✓ Filling time with good things like reading Quran, praying, giving charity, and doing good actions.



As young children, you are not required to fast yet, but you can always practice for maybe an hour, half a day, etc. Good habits begin at a young age!!



#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Fasting Ramadan is a very special Pillar of Islam with countless blessings it helps us connect with Allah SWT, the Quran, ourselves, our families, and our community on a global scale. It helps us aim for a high place in Jannah and the chance to enter through the gate of Rayyan!
- In Ramadan our hasanat are even more! It is a bonus month of many rewards!

# **LESSON 7: Hajj (Pillar 5)**

We have covered four pillars of Islam. Who can remember these? Shahadah, Belief in Allah SWT and His Messenger, Salah or the 5 daily prayers, Zakat, or charity, Sawm or Fasting Ramadan —let's learn about the very last Pillar, Hajj! **So, what is Hajj?** 

Hajj is when Muslims visit a city called Makkah and the House of Allah SWT, the Kaabah during the Islamic month of Dhul Hijjah. Have you ever seen pictures of the Kaabah? It's a big, black brick building that was built as a place for praying to Allah SWT. Do you know who built the Kaabah? Ibrahim AS and his son, Ismail AS built the Kaabah. <u>Fun fact</u>: Muslims pray facing the Kaabah no matter where they are in the world! (\*\*Note: Remember Qibla in worksheet!).

Hajj is a very special Pillar because we learn so much on this visit. While performing Hajj, Muslims do several activities like:

- ✓ Men wear two pieces of white clothes called Ihram.
- ✓ Walk seven times in circles around the Kaabah. This is called **Tawaf**.
- ✓ Run back and forth between two hills called Safa and Marwa.
- ✓ Drink from a very special water, called Zamzam!
- ✓ Stand on a special mountain and make heaps and heaps of Dua!
- ✓ Give charity.

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#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

 Hajj lets millions and millions of Muslims from all around the world gather together and pray to Allah SWT as one. Seeing all these people together at Hajj reminds us that, in Islam, all people, no matter where they are from or whether they are rich or poor, are all equal before Allah SWT, and that the only thing that makes us better is how much we love and follow Him and His messenger SAW.

### **LESSON 8: Surah Al- Fatiha**

Allah SWT sent a special book, the Qur'an, to the Prophet Muhammad SAW. The Qur'an guides us about Allah SWT and the purpose of our lives. Reading and understanding the Qur'an is the best way to get us closer to Allah SWT.

Do you know the name of the first chapter of the Qur'an? **Al-Fatiha** is the opening chapter of the Qur'an. It has seven **Ayats** (verses/ sentences). Who knows it? Let's recite it together!

#### Surat Al- Fatiha

1. Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Raheem



- 2. Alhamdu lillaahi Rabbil 'aalameen
- 3. Ar-Rahmaanir-Raheem
- 4. Maaliki Yawmid-Deen
- 5. Iyyaaka na'budu wa Iyyaaka nasta'een
- 6. Ihdinas-Siraatal-Mustaqeem
- 7. Siraatal-lazeena an'amta 'alaihim ghayrilmaghdoobi 'alaihim wa lad-daaalleen

In Al-Fatiha we say **Alhamdulillah**. Do you know what Alhamdulillah means? It means all praises and thanks is for Allah SWT! We thank Allah SWT for everything always!

In this super Surah (chapter), we also ask Allah SWT to show us the right way to Jannah!! That's why we say Ameen at the end, because we are making a DUA (like a wish).

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#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- ✓ We should recite the Al-Fatiha daily many times, for example:
  - Before we sleep.
  - o Before we go to school or on our way to school.
  - When we are not feeling well.
- ✓ Start to develop a habit of reciting it because when you perform Salah, you recite this surah so many times throughout your day!!!
- ✓ Reciting Qur'an is an important way to get heaps of hasanat and many rewards from Allah SWT!!

# **LESSON 9: Surah Ikhlas**

Recap 5 Pillars and Surah Al Fatiha.

There is another special short chapter in the **Qur'an**, called **Surat Al-Ikhlāṣ (Sincerity)**. It tells us about Allah SWT. The Surah (Chapter) is very short with only 4 **Ayats** (verses/ sentences) but it tells us a lot about Allah SWT!

#### Bismi I-lāhir-Raḥmānir-Raḥīm

In the name of Allah, the kind/merciful and the most kindest.

#### Qul huwal laahu ahad

1. Say, "He is Allah, [who is] One,

#### Allahus samad

2. Allah is As Samad-meaning everything needs Allah SWT! He needs nothing and nobody!

#### Lam yalid wa lam yoolad

3. He does not have children, and he doesn't have parents (or family like us).

#### Wa lam yakul-lahu kufuwan ahad

4. And there is nothing like Him- Allah SWT does not look like anything or anybody.

(\*\*Repeat meaning). These short sentences are easy to learn and important to understand. We believe that Allah SWT is the **AHAD**, the One and Only in Control. Remember that Allah SWT is our only God. **AS SAMAD**, the Perfect Being who does not need anybody but everything and everyone in the universe NEEDS Him! Allah SWT does not have a son and he does not have parents. No one is like Him, and no one is equal to Him.



How magnificent is Allah SWT! **Subhan Allah!** When Muslims are amazed by how great and magnificent Allah SWT is, we say "**Subhan' Allah!**" (How glorious, amazing, and marvellous is Allah!).

# LESSONS LEARNT:

- ✓ We believe in Oneness of Allah SWT.
- ✓ We should love this Surah as Prophet SAW said to his companion, "Your love for this Surah will make you enter Paradise!" (Bukhari)
- ✓ We should recite Surah Ikhlas to get enormous rewards.

# **LESSON 10: Revision (Five Pillars) & Eid Adha**

Eid Mubarak! Blessed and happy Eid everyone! Muslims have two celebrations - Eid after Ramadan and now, we celebrate **Eid al-Adha** Alhamdulillah! This Eid is a special celebration, and it is the time Muslims all around the world go to perform Hajj too (our 5<sup>th</sup> Pillar!).

How do you/ are you celebrating Eid al Adha? (Select some students to answer).

We have fun and celebrate on the days of Eid, but we also **always remember Allah SWT and other Muslims around the world who may be less fortunate too.** While we celebrate, we appreciate the blessings we have and only do things Allah SWT likes. When Muslims celebrate, we praise Allah SWT with Takbir! The Eid al Adha Takbir generally goes like this: (\*\*Repeat with students).

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar
Allahu Akbar, Laa illaaha ill- Allah
WaAllahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar
Wa lillaahil Hamd
Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,
Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,
Allah is Most Great and to Allah is all praise

**REVISION**: Let's revise what are the basics that Muslims must do – The 5 Pillars of Islam!

- **Shahadah** the first pillar of Islam. It is special words that mean we believe in only One God, Allah SWT, and Prophet Muhammad SAW is the Messenger of Allah SWT. Let's say it together (\*\*Or select students to stand up and repeat on own).
- **Salah** the second pillar of Islam. Salah is performed five times a day to bring us closer to Allah SWT. Who can remember the names, let's say them together again (5 salah song).
- Zakat the third pillar of Islam. Zakat is charity that helps the poor and needy.
- Sawm, fasting, the fourth pillar of Islam. Muslims fast in the month of Ramadan.
- **Hajj** the fifth pillar of Islam. Hajj is a special trip to the country Saudi Arabia that we go to see a special building- called Kabbah! Many good actions are done at Hajj!

#### **QUCK QUIZ:**

- ✓ What is the name of God? *Allah SWT*. How many Gods are there? *Only One Allah is the Ahad (one)*. Is Allah SWT like us? *No!* Who made everything and everyone? *Allah SWT!*
- ✓ How many times do we pray (make Salat)? 5 Give me one name of a Salah? Fajr, Duhr, Asr, Maghrib, Isha. Who is our Prophet? Prophet Muhammad SAW.
- ✓ Let's recite Surah Ikhlas / Al Fatiha together. (See above!)

# \*\*\*\*\* END KINDY SYLLABUS \*\*\*\*\*\*



Yr 1 & 2

Yr 5 & 6

# YEARS 1 - 6 SYLLABUS (STAGES 1 - 3).

# **LESSON 1: Belief in Allah (1)**

- Students are introduced to the term Iman and what it means to believe in Allah SWT.
- •Students understand there are 6 Pillars of Iman, belief in Allah will develop understanding of Allah SWT and what this life is about.
- •Students are introduced to Surat Al Ikhlas (Chapter 112, Qur'an).
- •Students understand some Attributes of Allah, including those described in Surah al-Ikhlas (Qur'an 112), e.g., Al-Ahad, the Unique, One and Only.
- Yr 3 & 4 Students understand Iman increases and decreases according to good or bad deeds.
  - Students understand Tawheed is the central core of our religion and impacts on our actions. •Students understand learn to demonstrate our belief in Allah through our everyday lives.
  - •Students understand all the Pillars of Iman are connected and reinforce their understanding of Allah SWT and who He is and what this life and the next is about.
  - •Students understand some of the significance of this Surah for their lives.

#### STAGE 1 **YEARS 1 – 2**

Welcome back everyone. In term 1, we learnt there are 5 Pillars or rules that you must do to be a Muslim, called the Five Pillars of Islam. Do you remember what they were? Shahadah - I believe there is no god but Allah SWT and that Muhammad SAW is His Messenger, Salah - 5 daily Prayers, 3. Zakah giving charity, 4. Sawm- fasting the month of Ramadan and 5. Hajj. (\*\*Refer to 5 pillars diagram in Stage 2 below).

This term, since we know the Five Pillars of Islam, we are going to learn about the Six Pillars of Iman! But first, what is Iman? Our belief is called Iman (\*\*Ask students to repeat word). When we have strong belief in Allah SWT, we have strong Iman! We need strong Iman, so that we can always make the right choices. So, we need to believe Allah SWT is One and Only Creator and that He created things we can see and things we can't see.

Why is Iman important? Having Iman gets us closer to Allah SWT and helps us feel safe, calm and peaceful in our hearts; it gives us hope and protects us from fear. Iman affects our hearts and how we feel and is linked to our actions. Think of Iman like the **power source for a Muslim**. It gets stronger or weaker, depending on our good or bad actions. When we do something bad, it drains away and weakens our Iman. Whenever we do something good, we power up the Iman in our hearts and our love for Allah SWT grows stronger. Stronger Iman means more goodness and rewards from Allah SWT.



**DISCUSSION POINT:** Ask the class to think of ways to charge our Iman in our hearts; e.g., reading and listening to the Qur'an, do dhikr by saying Bismillah, Alhamdulillah and la ilaha illa llah.

	Six Pillars of Iman			
6 Pillars of Iman		We believe	Hand Gesture	
1.	Believe in Allah SWT	Allah SWT is the One and Only God we should worship/ pray to. He created everything. He loves us and there is no one and nothing like Him.	w	
2.	Believe in the Angels	Allah SWT created Angels from light, and they do whatever Allah SWT asks them to do.	X	



3.	Believe in the Holy Books	Allah SWT sent special books to Messengers to help guide people. We now follow the last Book, the Qur'an.	
4.	Believe in the Prophets and Messengers	Allah SWT sent many, special Prophets, to teach people about Allah SWT and guide them towards good things and stay away from bad things. The Prophets were the best humans that ever lived, and we should try our best to be like them.	9
5.	Believe in the Last Day (& Seeing Allah SWT)	In the day Allah SWT will bring everything to back to life and ask us all about the good and bad actions we did.	A
6.	Believe in Destiny	Allah SWT has power and control over everything and all that happens is already written and known by Allah SWT.	



**CLASS ACTIVITY:** From the above 6 Pillars of Iman table, ask students to use the hand gestures to help them remember and learn about each Pillar.

Let's start with **1st Pillar of Iman: Belief in Allah SWT**. As a Muslim we have faith and worship Allah SWT alone because there is no god but Allah SWT. In the Qur'an, Allah SWT describes Himself in Surat 112, Al Ikhlas. \*\*Can anyone recite Surat Al Ikhlas (Qul howal-lahu Ahad?) for us?

1. Qul huwallahu ahad	Say He is Allah, the One (and only)
2. Allahus Samad	Allah is Eternal
3. Lam yalid wa lam yulad	He has no children or was He born.
4. Wa lam yakullahu kufuwan ahad	And there is nothing like Him

This Surah teaches us that Allah SWT:

- 1. Is the One and Only God. Remember Allah is the greatest name for God.
- 2. Does <u>not</u> have human shape or characteristics so Allah SWT is not in need of anyone or anything.
- 3. Allah SWT was always there and did not come from anything, and Allah does not have any children.
- 4. Is the Only One that deserves to be worshipped. Allah SWT has amazing Powers to create everything in the entire universe.



### **LESSONS LEARNT**

- Loving Allah SWT: When we learn about Allah SWT, we will love Allah SWT and He will love us more in return!
- **Being grateful to Allah SWT**: 'Alhamdulillah' means 'All thanks and praise are for Allah'. We should always think of everything that Allah SWT has given us and say 'Alhamdulillah'!
- **Surat Ikhlas:** The Prophet SAW told us that Surat Ikhlas is equivalent to one-third of the Qur'an. So, reciting this short but powerful surah 3 times is as though you have recited the whole Qur'an!

#### STAGE 2

#### **YEAR 3 - YEAR 6**

In term 1, we learnt there are 5 Pillars or rules that you must do to be a Muslim, called the Five Pillars of Islam. Do you remember them?



1. Shahadah	•I believe There is no God but Allah SWT •and I believe that Muhammad SAW is His Messenger	
2. Salah	Doing the 5 daily prayers	I AM A
3. Zakah	Giving charity	MUSLIM
4. Sawm	Fasting the month of Ramadan	
5. Hajj	If capable going to Makkah to perform pilgrimage	

This term, we are learning about the <u>Six Pillars of Iman</u>. The 5 pillars are supported with our Iman/faith - Iman is like the concrete holding the 5 pillars together. But first, **what is Iman?** Iman is explained as having faith, ultimate trust, belief or accepting something as true, even if you can't see it. But **Iman** is not just 'believing in something' it also affects how we feel on the inside, in our heart and in our mind. **Iman** shows in **our actions and words** too – from the speech of our tongue to how we use our body. The Qur'an, links **Iman to good deeds** over 70 times and says that we will only be successful if we have **both** Iman (faith) **and** good deeds.

Why is Iman important? Having Iman gets us closer to Allah SWT and helps us feel safe, calm and peaceful in our hearts; it gives us hope and protects us from fear. Think of Iman like the **power source** for a Muslim. It gets stronger or weaker, depending on our good or bad actions. When we do something bad, it drains away and weakens our Iman. Whenever we do something good, we power up the Iman in our hearts and our love for Allah SWT grows stronger. Stronger Iman means more goodness and rewards from Allah SWT.



<u>CLASS ACTIVITY</u> – Ask the students to give examples and ideas of good deeds to **power up Iman** i.e. recite Quran, pray salat, respect parents/teachers and give charity.

**The 6 Pillars of Iman** are six things that Muslims believe in. When you believe in these, you are not just a Muslim, but also a **Mu'min!** (a Believer), which is a level higher than a Muslim.

- **1.1. Believe in Allah SWT** Means having absolute faith in the <u>oneness of Allah SWT</u>. He created everything. He loves us and there is no one and nothing like Him.
- 2. Believe in the Angels

  Al Malai'kah

  •Allah SWT created Angels from light, and they always obey whatever Allah SWT asks them to do. Some of the jobs Angels do are to protect us and write down our good and bad deeds.
- •Allah SWT sent special books to Messengers to help guide people. We now follow the last Book, the Qur'an revealed to Prophet Muhammad SAW.
- 1.4. Believe in the Prophets and Messengers
  Al Anbiyaa' wa-Russul
- •Allah SWT sent many, special Prophets, to teach people about Allah SWT and guide them towards good things and stay away from bad things. The Prophets were the best humans that ever lived, and we should try our best to be like them.
  - 1.5. Believe in the Day of Judgement Yawm-ul-Qiyyahmah
- •Believe that life on earth is a test and there will come a day Allah SWT will bring everything to back to life and ask us all about the good and bad actions we did.
- 1.6. Believe in Divine Decree and Predestination Al Qada' wal Qadr
- •Allah SWT has power over everything (Al Qada') and that everything that will ever happen is already written and known by Allah SWT (Qadr).

I AM A MUSLIM And A MU'MIN



### 1st Pillar of Iman: Believe in Allah SWT

The most important thing for a Muslim to know is to have faith and worship Allah SWT alone because there is no god but Allah SWT. It is to believe that Allah SWT is the only Creator (Al-Khaliq), Provider (Ar-Razzag) and The All-Knowing (Al-Aleem) of everything in existence.



**ACTIVITY: Reflect and connect with Allah SWT**: Let's have a think about the beautiful world around us... the trees, birds, plants, animals  $\rightarrow$  who created all of these? Allah SWT! How about the houses, cars and computers? → Allah SWT created us and made us smart enough to build these kinds of things!

When the Prophet SAW was asked to describe Allah SWT, Surat 112 Al Ikhlas was revealed. The Prophet SAW told us that Surat Ikhlas is equivalent to one-third of the Qur'an! So, reciting this short but powerful Surah 3 times is as though you recited the whole Qur'an! \*\*Ask confident students if they would like to recite for the class.

1.	Qul huwallahu ahad	Say He is Allah, the One (and only)
2.	Allahus Samad	Allah is Eternal
3.	Lam yalid wa lam yulad	He neither begets nor is born (He has no children or was He born).
4.	Wa lam yakullahu kufuwan ahad	And there is nothing like Him.

#### This Surah teaches us:

- 1. To believe in the oneness of Allah SWT called Tawheed. Allah SWT is the Only Creator and Master of everything that exists on this Earth and in the entire universe. He is the One that creates, provides, supports, takes, forgives and benefits all of creation. Nothing happens without His Permission.
- 2. Allah SWT does not have human shape or characteristics, and Allah SWT is not in need of anyone or anything. Allah SWT was always there and did not come from anything or has any children.

Reciting Surat Al-Ikhlas regularly helps deepen the understanding and belief in the Oneness of Allah, which is the foundation of our Islamic faith. When we truly believe in Allah SWT, our actions and behaviours are affected in a positive way Inshaa'Allah.



#### **LESSONS LEARNT**

\*\*\*Draw this diagram on the whiteboard to illustrate the build-up of knowledge from Term 1; 5 Pillars of Islam to this term's; 6 Pillars of Iman.

**Islam** – Performing the 5 Pillars of Islam

Iman – Belief in the 6 Pillars of Iman

**Ihsan** – Excellence in practising Islam and Iman

- **Strengthening Iman:** There are many ways to build a loving and long-lasting relationship with Allah SWT. Try your best gain more knowledge; we learn all about Allah SWT by learning/studying His Names and reading/understanding the Qur'an.
- Iman affects what you think, say and do: Iman is seen in our good deeds, our nice words and our good thoughts and we need all 3 together to have strong Iman. Only when we have Iman and do good actions will we be successful!

Islam

**Iman** 

Ihsan



# LESSON 2: Belief in Allah (2)

<u>LLUUU I</u>	Tal Benefit III III (2)
	• Students learn Ayat Al-Kursi is known as the greatest Ayah of the Qur'an.
Yr 1 & 2	• Students develop their understanding of belief in Allah by learning some of His attributes described in Ayat Al-Kursi (Verse 222: Chapter 2).
	• Students learn that Ayat al Kursi (Verse 222: Chapter 2) teaches us about Allah SWT.
Yr 3 & 4	• Students understand that Allah is The Unique, The Alone, The Perfect, and the Master whom everything depends totally upon, The One Who has no Partner in His Lordship.
	•Students extend understanding of Allah SWT and some of His Attributes and ways this impacts on our everyday lives.
Yr 5 & 6	•Students understand some of the significance of this Ayah for their lives.

# <u>STAGE 1</u> <u>YEARS 1 – 2</u>

So, we have been learning about believing in Allah SWT. And the more we learn about Allah SWT, the more we love him and the more the Iman in our hearts grows!

Today, we will inshaa'Allah learn more about Allah SWT – and what better way to learn it than by learning how Allah SWT describes Himself in His own Book, in the Qur'an!

Did you know, the greatest and most powerful verse (Ayah) in the Qur'an - the leader and chief of all the Ayat (sentences/ verses) - is all about Allah SWT?! It is called Ayatul Kursi (2:255).

Ayatul Kursi starts with "Allah" and that there is **no god except Allah!** (*Allahu laaa ilaaha illaa huwal!*). Allah SWT goes on to tell us that He knows everything, what has happened, what will happen and that everything belongs to Him.

Allah SWT tells us He is **Al-Qayyum**, the Maintainer – He is always taking care of all the Heavens and the Earth, and everything and everyone, including you and me - and *Allah SWT never ever gets tired doing this* and *He never sleeps*! Allah SWT tells us that He is **Al-Ḥayy**, the Ever Living, He never dies – and He is always there, taking care of us and the entire creation! Subhan' Allah! Alhamdulilah! We should always be grateful to Allah SWT, He does more for us than we can ever know!

In Ayatul Kursi, Allah SWT tells us that He is **The Aliyy,** The Most High and Great, and **Al 'Azeem,** the Most Magnificent! Subhan' Allah, Ayatul Kursi tries to teach us how magnificent and amazing Allah SWT is, and that He is the only God we should ever turn to – because He is the One who knows everything, and He is the Ever Living and He is the One who takes care of all that exists!!!

\*\*\*TEACHERS: You can play "Learn About Ayah Al Kursi For Kids with Zaky" video or "Lets Learn Ayatul Kursi with Laith and Layla" (Year 2 only) or one of the soothing Ayatul Kursi videos resource links on ISRE website at this point (or after Lessons Learnt if preferred). (Transliteration is provided in Year 3 – 6 Section below to aid teachers if needed).

<u>Say:</u> Let's listen to Ayat al Kursi together and see if anyone can recite it too! (\*\*After listening to Ayatul Kursi, ask students how listening to Qur'an / Ayatul Kursi make them feel...).

### **Extra Benefits of Ayatul Kursi!**

Ayatul Kursi is the most powerful and greatest verse and the Prophet Muhmmad SAW told us reciting it can help heal us and can protect us in amazing ways. For example:

- If you recite it before you sleep, **Allah will send an angel to guard and protect you all night!**The angel will stay by you, until you wake up in the morning! (Bukhārī). So, reciting this Ayah



can help protect us from bad dreams or things that may harm us and lets us sleep peacefully throughout the night under the protection of Allah SWT, the Lord of the Heavens and Earth and His guardian angels! Alhamdulilah!!!

- Reciting Ayatul Kursi as part of our morning and evening Azkhar / Dua helps to keep us safe.
- Reciting it after every prayer can earn us a ticket to Jannah!

# **ESSONS LEARNT:**

- Allah SWT is the One and Only God who deserves our worship. This ayah tells us that Allah is always there watching us, He knows everything, controls everything, looks after everything and He will always be there and so we should always be mindful of and grateful to Allah SWT.
- The more we learn about Allah SWT, the more we love Him! Ayatul Kursi helps us love Allah SWT more and be amazed by Him more! We need to keep learning about Allah SWT all the time, so that our Iman grows. A good way to learn about Allah SWT is by understanding His Words in His Qur'an, and the ways Allah SWT described Himself in His Book and through His Beautiful Names.
- You need to learn this Ayah! Ask a family member to help you learn Ayatul Kursi today! The benefits are too good to miss out on!!! How beautiful is it that when we recite it before we sleep that Allah SWT sends us an angel to protect us so we can sleep peacefully throughout the night?! If we start our morning by reciting it (rather than starting our morning on our devices!) it helps us start our day protected and thankful to Allah SWT.

# <u>STAGES 2 – 3</u> <u>YEARS 3 - 6</u>

So, we have been learning about believing in (having Iman in) Allah SWT. The more we learn about Allah SWT, the more it helps us to worship Allah SWT better and to live our lives better.

Today we will insha'Allah learn more about Allah SWT through the greatest and most powerful verse in the Qur'an - the leader and chief of all Ayat (verses) in the Qur'an - known as Ayatul Kursi (2:255).

Ayatul Kursi is the greatest verse because it is all about Allah SWT (and there is no greater topic to talk about than Allah SWT!!!).

Let's look closer at Ayatul Kursi and break it up into its 9 parts to help us.

**Ayatul Kursi** - **Kid-Friendly explanation** (\*\*\*Can play video links for the Ayah in Arabic afterwards).

Allahu laaa ilaaha illaa huwal haiyul gai-yoom;

Allah! — There is no God except Him, the Ever-Living, the Eternal Maintainer (of all existence) (1)

(Allah is our only Master and Lord and We only pray to Him. He is Always-Living, constantly there and He always constantly guarding and taking care of everything.)

Laa taakhuzuhoo sinatunw wa laa nawm;

Allah never gets even a bit sleepy, and He never, ever sleeps. (2)

Lahoo maa fissamaawaati wa maa fil ard;

Allah owns everything in the Heavens and Earth. (3)

Mun zallazee yashfa'u indahooo illaa be iznih;

Who can intercede (plead) with Him without His permission?! (4)

(No-one can speak or do anything without Allah SWT allowing it, and only Prophet Muhammad SAW will be allowed to plead with Allah SWT to save those who followed him).

Ya'lamu maa baina aideehim wa maa khalfahum;

Allah knows what is before them (His creations) and what is behind them, (5)

(Allah SWT knows everything about us. He knows what has happened and what will happen).



Wa laa yuheetoona beshai 'immin 'ilmihee illa be maa shaaaa;

And no-one can gain any of His knowledge except for what He allows. (6)

(We have barely any knowledge, only a tiny, small bit of what He allowed us to learn).

Wasi'a kursiyyuhus samaa waati wal arda

His Kursi (Chair/ Footstool) is bigger than the Heavens and the Earth, (7)

Wa la ya'ooduho hifzuhumaa;

And guarding all this does not make Allah tired. (8)

Wa huwal aliyyul 'azeem.

And He is the Ultimately Most High, the Most Great. (9)

#### **How Ayatul Kursi Impacts our Life:**

If we understand Ayatul Kursi properly, it will help us realise the perfection, greatness and authority of Allah SWT – this humbles us and make us better appreciate Allah SWT.

We become more grateful to Allah SWT because He is **Al-Qayyūm**, the **Maintainer**, always and constantly taking care of us and of everything. He is **Al-Ḥayy**, the Ever-Living, the One we can always rely on. He owns and knows everything - so He is the One we can call on for help.

In this Ayah, Allah SWT tells us that His Kursi (Chair/ Footstool) is larger than all the entire universe and the 7 heavens and yet Allah SWT never gets tired looking after everything! Subhan Allah, we can barely imagine how powerful and mighty Allah SWT is! Allah SWT has a magnificent Throne (Arsh) that is even more gigantic than the Kursi and it is above Jannah! And Allah SWT Himself is greater and more magnificent than all of this! Allah is Al-Aliy, the Ultimately High, and Al 'Azeem! The Most-Great!

### **Extra Benefits and Significance of Ayatul Kursi:**

We should recite Ayatul Kursi often. For example:

- **Morning and evening:** We should try repeat it every morning and evening as part of our daily Adhkar. Ayatul Kursi is very powerful and can help protect and heal you.
- **Before sleeping to have a guardian angel protect you all night**: "When you lie down in your bed, recite Āyat al-Kursī from beginning to end; Allah will appoint for you a guardian (angel) who will stay by you, until you wake up in the morning" (Bukhārī). So, this Ayah helps to protect us from bad dreams or things that may harm us and lets us sleep peacefully throughout the night under the protection of the Lord of the Heavens and Earth and His guardian angels!! Alhamdulilah!
- After every Fard prayer as a key to Jannah: "Whoever recites Ayat al-Kursi at the end of every obligatory prayer, nothing will prevent him from entering Paradise..." (An-Nasa'i). So, Ayatul Kursi after prayer is a ticket to Jannah!
- **In Dua:** Ayatul Kursī contains what may be some of the **Greatest Names of Allah** A*l-Ḥαyy* and *Al-Qayyūm* (Abu Dawud). It is encouraged to use these names when we make Dua.

- The more we learn about Allah SWT, the more we love Him! Ayatul Kursi helps us love and be amazed by Allah SWT and this makes us worship Him better. We need to always keep learning about Allah SWT so that our Iman grows. A good way to do this is to learn His Words, His Qur'an, and how Allah SWT described Himself. We also need to learn what the Prophet Muhammad SAW taught us about Allah SWT too, and the way he SAW lived, because he did what Allah SWT loved.
- Ayatul Kursi should transform and be a part of our everyday life: Remembering Allah SWT's greatness and power humbles us and make us trust and rely on Allah SWT. It teaches us that nothing happens in this world except that Allah has allowed it so we can accept all things as part



of Allah's Plan. When we know that Allah SWT owns everything, we know Allah SWT can give or takes what He wants.

• You need this Ayah! Ask a family member to help you learn Ayatul Kursi today! The benefits are just too good to miss out on! How beautiful it is that Allah SWT sends an angel to protect you so you can sleep safely! And if we start our morning by reciting it (rather than by turning on our devices!) it helps us start our day with gratitude and protection, Alhamdulilah! (\*\*Write "Ayat Al-Kursi, Qur'an 2:255" on the board to help them remember what to look it up if needed).

# **LESSON 3: Belief in the Angels**

Yr 1 & 2

Yr 3 &

Yr 5 &

- Students understand the concept of Angels and the unseen world in Islam. Students understand that Angels have special roles given to them by Allah SWT
- Students expand their consciousness of Angels in thier everyday lives and how this can enhance their character.

• Students understand all the pillars of Iman and reinforce thier understanding of Allah SWT and who He is impacting their everyday lives.

#### STAGE 1

#### YEAR 1- YEAR 2

Believing in Allah SWT also means we believe in His creations. Some of Allah SWT creations cannot been seen, they are invisible to us. One of these unseen creations are Angels! As, Muslims we believe in Angels (*Malaikah* in Arabic).

Angels are a special creation that Allah SWT created from Nur/ light. Allah SWT created the Angels to do special work on Earth and in the heavens. The Angels do these jobs/ duties and they never, ever, do the wrong thing. The Angels always obey and listen to Allah SWT. They don't get tired and move faster than anything we can imagine and have different powers and sizes! They have different numbers of wings - some have 2 wings, some three or four and more!! Subhan Allah, they are amazingly beautiful!

Did you know, Allah SWT has given everyone up to 4 special Angels that are with you at all times? (\*\*Teachers use a student as a volunteer to illustrate by pointing to their shoulders and front and back of the student). Allah SWT has given everyone two Angels that write down and record ALL our actions.

The Angel on your right shoulder, writes and records everything good you do, this Angel has a wonderful job, because it will tell Allah SWT about all your hard work and efforts trying to be on your best behaviour. The Angel on your left has to write down all the mistakes you make. However, Allah SWT is so kind (Ar Raheem) that He commanded it not to write down your mistakes straight away - Allah SWT gives you a chance to fix your mistake with a good action! So, please try not to make the Angel write down any wrong behaviour! IF you make a mistake, try to fix it straight away!

Allah SWT has also given us guardian Angels; Angels are there to help protect us and keep us safe and make Dua to Allah SWT for us. Subhan Allah, how wonderful is Allah SWT to surround us with His beautiful Angels?! The Angels love people who do good and always want to be around them. So, always try to do the right thing, so that the Angels will love to be around you!

When we all sit in scripture and learn about and remember Allah SWT, the Angels rush to gather around us and call other Angels to come sit around us as well! They especially love to listen to Qur'an



being recited beautifully! So, make sure you recite your Qur'an slowly, clearly, and beautifully. Can we recite some Qur'an together now to attract the Angels?!!

Let's learn a bit about some Angels:

- **Jibril AS/Gabriel:** The biggest and greatest Angel is **Angel Jibril AS**. Jibril AS is the Messenger Angel He brought down the rules and the Books of Allah SWT to all the Prophets. Prophet Muhammad SAW actually saw Angel Jibril AS in his Angel form! He said it was an amazing sight 600 wings which filled the sky, huge multi-coloured wings with beautiful rubies that were falling from them! Subhan Allah!
- Mikaa'eel AS/Michael: This is another Angel close to Allah SWT. Although Allah SWT is in control and capable of all things He choose Angel Mikaa'eel AS to manage rain, thunder and the seas (water/ tides).
- Angels deliver your Salam/greeting to the Prophet Muhammad SAW!

Angels love the believers of Allah SWT. In fact, they are the friends of the believers. They do as much as they can to protect and help us- without us even knowing. They make Dua/pray for us. An example is when you visit a sick person: Allah SWT sends 70,000 angels to pray for you! So, whenever you visit the sick remember to say good things as the Angels will say "Ameen" also.

**Rewards:** Allah SWT is so kind that He told the Angels that for every good deed to write us down 10 good deeds!!! And that every bad deed is to be written as only one bad deed. So, think of it like a point system, you get 10 points for good actions, and you only lose one point, for every mistake! This should encourage us to gain a lot of hasanat/ points and build up our scores of good deeds! Every time you see a chance to get reward/ hasanat, race towards it!



#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

 Belief in Allah SWT Angels should encourage us to do many good deeds and make our iman stronger! These beautiful creations of Allah SWT can surround and protect and pray for you all the time, you just need to do the right things and be on your best behaviour as much as you can!! They love those who love Allah SWT, and Allah SWT keeps them near you whenever you remember Him. Let's say Subhan Allah, Alhamdulilah, La illah illa Lah and Allah Akbar!

**YEAR 3 - 6** 

# STAGE 2 & STAGE 3

A true believer must believe in all of Allah SWT Angels. This is our second pillar of Iman/ faith, the belief in "Mala'ikah"/Angels. The Angels are creations that we cannot see, they belong in the unseen world. We know a lot about them because of Allah SWT book the Qur'an, and the Prophet Muhammad SAW; explained the unseen world of Angels to us.

Allah SWT created the Angels before He created us. Angels are creatures made from Nur/light and are pure and beautiful. Angels were created to praise and worship Allah SWT and so they NEVER disobey Allah SWT. There are billions, trillions of Angels, only Allah SWT knows exactly how many.

The Angels live in the heavens travel to planet Earth. The Angels travel very fast, they travel between the heavens and the Earth to take up our good deeds, bring down Allah SWT orders and perform many other jobs/tasks. Allah SWT gives them strength and powers that suit their jobs. We don't know exactly what they look like, but we do know they have wings, but not like the wings of birds. They can have different numbers of wings and are different colours and can be incredibly beautiful. Angels do not eat or drink, sleep nor do they get tired, they are not male or female; so they are not like us humans at all!



They have lots of different powers, forms and sizes. They can disguise themselves as human when they need to speak to people on Earth; (like when Angel Jibril came as a man in the first hadith/lesson 1.) All the angels have different jobs. We know some of the jobs and names of some including:

- ✓ The biggest and greatest Angel is **Angel Jibril AS**. Jibril AS is the Angel of Revelation/messenger Angel. He brought all the laws and the books of Allah SWT to the Prophets. Angel Jibril AS is the same angel that spoke to Muhammad SAW, the Angel who took the form of a man and told Mariam AS she was going to give birth to Issa/Jesus AS. The same Angel that came and dug the spring of Zam Zam water for Hajjar. Angel Jibril AS stopped visiting Earth after the last Prophet Mohammad SAW. Jibril AS only comes down now on one special night (Ask: Who remembers? Laylat Qadr).
- ✓ Mikaa'eel AS/Michael: This is another Angel close to Allah SWT. Mikaa'eel AS is responsible for managing the rain, thunder and the seas! (water/tides)- [by Allah SWT will].
- ✓ Israfil AS: The Angel who will blow the trumpet to start the Day of Judgement.
- ✓ Ridwan AS: The gatekeeper of Heaven!
- ✓ Every person has 2 Angels *described as* Kiraman and Katibin- meaning special writers. One sits on the right shoulder and the other one on your left shoulder. These Angels are commanded to record your actions. They write down all your good actions and mistakes. We need to make sure to keep the Angel on our right shoulder busy with recording our good deeds!
- ✓ Allah SWT also assigned guardian Angels that protect and guard us from harm. "For each person there are Angels who follow each other. They stay before and behind him/her, guarding him/her by Allah SWT orders" (13:11).

Remember, the Angels are pure and all good and so they only like to listen to good things, and they hate hearing the wrong things. Whenever you recite Qur'an, the Angels love to listen!!

# **More amazing Angel facts:**

- **Bodyguards:** There is an ayah/verse in the Qur'an that, if we read it before bed, Allah SWT will assign a guardian Angel over us all night! If you don't know it Ayat Kursi yet, start learning it today!
- The Angels **love gatherings of remembrance of Allah SWT.** This scripture class is a gathering of remembrance of Allah SWT. When they find a group, like our scripture class, they come and cover the group with their wings, until they stack up to the sky! Subhan Allah! Whenever you mention Allah SWT in a small gathering, and He mentions you in a greater one- up in the heavens amongst His Angels!!!
- Angels love the believers of Allah SWT. In fact, they are the friends of the believers. They do as
  much as they can to protect and help us- without us even knowing. They make Dua/pray for us.
  Some examples are when you finish your Salah, try not to rush and get up quickly, instead if you sit
  a bit in the same spot and read extra Qur'an or do dhikr the Angels will make Dua for you!! They
  say, "Oh Allah, forgive him/her, Oh Allah, show mercy to him/her" (Al Bukhari, Muslim).
- Visiting a sick person: Whenever a Muslim visit someone that's sick, Allah SWT sends 70,000 angels
  to pray for the visitor!! (Sahih). When you visit the sick remember to say good things as the angels
  will say "Ameen" also.
- Saying the salawat for the Prophet SAW "Whenever a person says Salaah for me, the **Angels pray for him/her**" (Sahih). They also send your greeting to the Prophet Muhammad SAW!!



Angels are a reminder to always be good: We know one of the main jobs is to keep us responsible by recording our actions. Did you know the Allah SWT, is so kind to us that He instructs the Angel on our right to write down good deeds immediately but instructs the Angel on our left to wait for a period of time- before writing down any bad deeds?! After any mistake, we should immediately, ask Allah SWT to forgive us (Astaghfir-Allah) and wipe out the bad deed with a good one.





### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Belief in Allah SWT Angels encourages us to be on our best behaviour and do good deeds. We can try to always surround ourselves with Mala'ikah. These beautiful creations of Allah SWT surround and protect and pray for you if you do the right things. Angels are our helpers and friends! They love you and will be by your side as long as you always do the right things that Allah SWT asked us to!
- Surround yourself with Angels: Keep your tongue busy with good words, words of Dhikr. Whenever you say words such as Subhan Allah, your voice reaches the heavens and your name is mentioned amongst the Angels, they recognise your voice and remember your name, as you remember Allah SWT often. Reciting Qur'an will also bring the Angels near, and they will gather around you! Hanging out with Angels is possible when you create a good, clean environment for them. Angel's dislike/ hate foul language and lies. They especially dislike when people backbite/ gossip talk badly about others. Remember the Angels are recording your every word. The Prophet SAW said, "Speak a good word, or keep silent". This also includes social media, typing something rude or disrespectful is the same as saying it, be mindful of your words spoken or texted.

When Allah SWT loves you, He commands ALL the Angels including Jibreel AS, to love you! Let's work to gain the love of Allah SWT so His angels boost up our Iman and surround us with their light!!

# LESSON 4 - Belief in His Books.

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Yr	1	-	2

- Students are introduced to the belief that Allah SWT sent books to help guide people.
- Students learn that our book, the Qur'an, is the final Book and unchanged word of Allah SWT

Yr 3 - 4

- Students learn the names of the books and the Prophets that brought each book.
- Students understand that the Qur'an and the originals of other books came with the same message.

Yr 5 - 6

•Students extend their understanding of the Qur'an, the final book of Allah SWT

\*\*\* ALL TEACHERS: Please bring in a Qur'an to show your students!!!

#### STAGE 1

#### YEAR 1 & 2

The 3<sup>rd</sup> part of faith or Iman is believing that Allah SWT sent us special writings or Books with Messengers because Allah SWT is loving and kind and wants to help us and guide us. Allah SWT sent 5 special Books, at different times, to different Messengers and their people. The Books confirmed the message of earlier Messengers: **Believe in Allah SWT, do good and stay away from bad.** The Books taught about Allah SWT and how to be the best people we can be and how to live in the best way.

There are 5 Books mentioned in the Qur'an:

Book Name:	Messenger Given To:	
As – Suhuf (Scrolls of Abraham)	Ibrahim (Abraham) AS	
At Tawrat (Torah)	Musa (Moses) AS	
Az Zaboor (Psalms of David)	Dawood / David AS	
Al Injil (Bible or Gospel)	Issa / Jesus AS	
The Qur'an itself!	Muhammad SAW	



Allah SWT sent down His last and final Book, the Qur'an, with His last and final Messenger, Muhammad SAW. We'll talk more about Prophet Muhammad SAW and the other Messengers next week Insha'Allah but today we'll try to understand a bit more about the best and final Book which replaced all the older Books before it, the Qur'an.

\*\*\*Please now show your Qur'an to your students — Show Al Fatiha (1st Chapter) and ask students questions like: Have they ever touched a Qur'an? Seen one at home? Seen how beautiful and curvy the Arabic writing is? Know how to recite some of the Qur'an? Or the Arabic letters?

Allah SWT made the Qur'an unique and unlike any other book you could ever read! Allah made the Qur'an calming and peaceful and beautiful to listen to and easier to memorise. Reciting its words can protect and heal us! Allah SWT chose the use the Arabic language for the Qur'an, so learning Arabic can help us find out more about Allah SWT and better understand the messages and stories Allah SWT shares with us in the Qur'an.

The Qur'an is Allah SWT's words, which came down bit by bit, over 23 years through Angel Jibril AS, to the Prophet Muhammad SAW, over 1400 years ago. The Prophet would memorise all the exact words sent by Allah SWT through Angel Jibril and would tell others the words exactly. The people would then also memorise it exactly and some would write it down, exactly the same way they heard it from the Prophet SAW. The Prophet SAW and others later would double check it was written exactly the way it was received. All the Qur'an was then gathered into a Book with the exact same words that we have in our Qur'an's today. The Qur'an is amazing for many reasons, one of which is that has not changed and never will change! Allah SWT promised that He will keep the Qur'an safe forever. There is even a Qur'an that is over 1370 years old, and its words are the same as the one we have with us today. This is why we only follow the Qur'an, Allah's last and final Book.

The Qur'an has stories to inspire us and instructions to guide us. The Qur'an teaches us:

- About Allah SWT and how to worship Allah SWT, and what we are meant to be doing in this life.
- How to behave and be good to people and show the best manners and respect and care for people, ourselves, the environment and animals.
- About the world we live in, creations outside our world, and a life after this world.
- About people who lived before us and the lessons we learn from them.

Subhan 'Allah, the Qur'an and the Messenger Muhamad SAW who passed it on to us, are indeed our biggest and best blessings and gifts from Allah SWT!



# **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Allah SWT wants us get to Jannah, so He sent Books with special Messengers to help. The Books teach us about Allah SWT, about manners, to be kind and humble, to respect everyone and everything around us. We need to read and understand the final Book, the Qur'an, if we want to live the way Allah SWT wants us to.
- We need to cherish and learn Qur'an! The Qur'an is unlike any other book, it is the words of Allah SWT! Try to memorise it and learn Arabic so it will help us recite and understand the Qur'an.

\*\*\* ALL TEACHERS: Please bring in a Qur'an to show your students!!!



The 3<sup>rd</sup> part of faith or Iman is believing that Allah SWT sent us special writings or Books to help guide us. Allah SWT is loving, and kind and He wants us to help us. He sent 5 special Books with 5 great Messengers to help us learn about Allah and what is good for us. The Books helped to teach people how to worship Allah SWT and how to live in the best way. Allah SWT sent the Books at different times, to different Messengers and their people. The Books confirmed the same messages of Messengers:

Believe in Allah SWT, do good and stay away from bad, there is a life after this life.

We will learn more about the Messengers next week but for now, just know that Messengers were picked by Allah SWT to teach the Books because they were the wisest, best people of their time, with the best excellent manners and behaviour. The Books were sent to guide us to be the best we can be. The Books mentioned in the Quran are:

Book Name	Messenger Given To:
As – Suhuf (Scrolls of Abraham)	Ibrahim (Abraham) AS
At Tawrat (Torah)	Musa (Moses)
Az Zaboor (Psalms of David)	Dawood / David AS
Al Injil (Bible or Gospel)	Issa / Jesus AS
The Qur'an itself!	Muhammad SAW

Allah SWT sent down His last and final Book, the Qur'an, with His last and final Messenger, Muhammad SAW. We'll talk more about Prophet Muhammad SAW and the other Messengers next week Insha'Allah - today we'll try to understand a bit about the best and final Book which summarised and replaced all the older Books before it - the Qur'an.

<u>ACITIVITY:</u> \*\*\*Please now show your Qur'an to your students – Show Al Fatiha (1<sup>st</sup> Chapter) and ask students questions like: Have they ever held a Qur'an? Seen one at home? Seen how beautiful and curvy the Arabic writing is? Know how to recite some of the Qur'an? Know the Arabic letters?

### Why the Qur'an is Important for our Iman and our lives?

Allah SWT made the Qur'an unique and unlike any other book you could ever read! Allah describes the purpose of the Qur'an, in the Qur'an: "We have sent down this Book to you (Prophet Muhammad) so that, with your Lord's permission, you may bring people from darkness into light, to the path of the Almighty, the Owner of all Praise. (14:1) and that the Qur'an is "...a guidance for humankind, and clear evidence... distinguishing between right and wrong..." (2:185). So, the Qur'an is Allah's literal Words, sent to help us and guide us. Knowing that we have Words directly from Allah SWT, available to us at all times, is such a beautiful blessing for us, Alhamdulillah! The Qur'an, Allah SWT's words, came down bit by bit, over 23 years through Angel Jibril AS, to the Prophet Muhammad SAW, about 1400 years ago. The Prophet would memorise all the exact words sent by Allah SWT through Angel Jibril and would tell others the words exactly. The people would then also memorise it exactly and some would write it down, exactly the same way they heard it from the Prophet SAW. The Prophet SAW and others later would double check it was written exactly the way it was received. The Qur'an was then gathered into a Book with the exact same words that we have in our Qur'ans today.

The Qur'an is a miracle for many reasons, one of which is that has not changed and never will change! Allah SWT promised that He will keep the Qur'an safe forever. There is even a Qur'an that is over 1370 years old, and its words are the same as the one we have with us today. **This is why now we only follow the Qur'an**, Allah's last and final Book.



Allah SWT made the Qur'an calming and peaceful and beautiful to listen to and easier for us to memorise. Allah SWT often uses stories, rhyme, and gives signs in the Qur'an. Reciting the Qur'an can also protect and heal us! Allah SWT chose the Arabic language for the Qur'an, so learning Arabic can help us better understand the Qur'an. Memorising Qur'an is also important because we say Qur'an as part of our Salah.

The Qur'an inspires, guides and teaches us. For example, the Qur'an teaches:

- About Allah SWT, His characteristics and how to worship Allah SWT.
- Why Allah SWT created us and what we are meant to be doing in this life.
- How to be good to people and show the best manners and respect and care for people, ourselves, the environment and animals.

### **ACTIVITY**: **Do you know some of the instructions in the Qur'an?** Here are some:

✓ DO'S	× DON'TS
Be humble and say Salam (words of peace) when	Do not give up hope in Allah's mercy, even if you did
ignorant people say things (25:63). Forgive others for	wrong things, because Allah forgives all sins, He is the
their mistakes (7:199) (3:135). Practice patience and	Forgiving and the Merciful. (39:53). Never give up hope in
compassion (90:17)	Allah's Mercy (12:87).
Control your anger (3:134). Speak to people gently	Do not be rude in speech (3:159) speak badly about
(20:44) and be moderate in the volume of your speech	people behind their backs (49:12). Do not insult one
(31:19)	another or call each other by offensive nicknames (49:11)
Be good to others (4:36)	Do not be arrogant (7:13). Don't break a promise (2:177)
Make peace between those in conflict (49:9).	Do not follow anyone blindly (2:170).
Be dutiful to parents (17:23) and maintain good	Don't say even a word of disrespect to parents (17:23).
relationships with relatives (47:22-23)	
Find the needy and help them (2:273) and protect	Don't be stingy (4:37) ignore or push away the needy
orphans (2:220)	(93:10).
Treat non-Muslims in a kind and fair manner (60:8)	Do not mix truth with falsehood (2:42) or help people to
	do bad things (5:2).
Respect other people's privacy, especially in their own	Don't cheat in any of your dealings (6:152) or gamble
homes (24:27)	(5:90).

#### **EXTENSION YEARS 5 – 6:**

**Miracles of the Qur'an:** The Qur'an is itself a miracle because of its compilation and beautiful words. But there are also many scientific facts in the Qur'an that no one could not have known or understood at the time (as the Qur'an was sent down over 1400 ago, before these facts were scientifically proven). For example, Allah SWT describes in the Qur'an:

- Our ever-expanding universe: "And it is We who have built the universe with our creative power and keep expanding it." (51:47). The expansion of the universe was only recently discovered by scientists, but Allah SWT had already told us this in the Qur'an, 1400 years ago, before the invention of telescopes.
- The orbit of the sun: "it is He who created night and day, the sun and the moon, each floating in its orbit." (21 33). It was only discovered last century that the Sun orbits the galaxy!

Subhan 'Allah, the Qur'an and the Messenger Muhamad SAW who passed it on to us, and our Iman, are indeed huge blessings/ gifts from Allah SWT!





- We are blessed to have this unique, special Book. No-one has ever come close to writing a chapter like it. We need to cherish, read and understand this final guide from Allah SWT, not leave it as a decoration on a table or bookshelf gathering dust. Reciting it or even just listing to it can bring us huge rewards (for every letter said)! The Prophet SAW said: "The best of you are those who learn the Qur'an and teach it." (Bukhārī). So, choose: Do you want to be the best or not?
- Believing everything in the Qur'an is part of Iman we believe every word of it is Allah SWT's Words. If we want to strengthen our Iman, we need to make His Book, part of our daily life and routine and a set time practising Qur'an every day. (You could install it a Qur'an App on your device to help). If you find it hard to learn or read the Qur'an, don't worry you get double the reward as one who finds it easy! if you memorise the whole Qur'an, your parents will have crowns in Jannah!
- The Qur'an is our helper; it protects, guides and calms us. Allah's Words gives us peace and guidance when you are going through a hard time, try listening to, reciting and understanding the Qur'an. The Qur'an can be your helping friend if you pay it the proper attention; Subhan Allah, the Qur'an can even stick up for you on Judgement Day!
- The Qur'an encourages us to think, learn and grow. In fact, the first word ever revealed to Prophet Muhammad SAW was: "Read!" (98:1). And so that's what we need to do too!

# **LESSON 5: Belief in His Messengers**

Yr 1 & 2

- Students recap what a Messenger is and that Allah SWT sent Messengers to people to help us and guide us.
- Students understand all Messengers had great character and all came with the same message, to believe in Allah SWT alone.

Yr 3 & 4

- •Students learn some names of Prophets / Messengers mentioned in the Qur'an.
- Students review learning about the final and greatest Prophet and Messenger, Muhammad SAW.

Yr 5 & 6

Students understand the relevance and benefits of learning about Prophets for our everyday lives.
 Students review ways we can follow the guidance and apply lessons learnt from Prophets in our everyday

#### STAGE 1

# **YEARS 1 - 2**

Many of us have special people; people that we love and trust. That are strong, trustworthy and we can count on them to help us with big tasks. Does anyone know who are Allah's special people? We call them **Prophets** and **Messengers**! Out of all the people on Earth, Allah SWT picked some special people to carry out a big job!

This job is that they are the ones **who deliver the message from God** and **tell people about Allah** SWT and how to worship Him. Prophets and Messengers are the ones that we look up to for guidance and get help on how to become better Muslims. Believing in Prophets and Messengers is the 4<sup>th</sup> part of having Iman.

So, here is a question for everyone: Why did Allah SWT send Prophets and Messengers to us? What do you think? (\*\*Let the students guess at some answers). That's right! Allah SWT sent them to us:

- As a way of learning about Him SWT, and believe in One God
- As a way of learning about our religion



- As a way of learning how to become a better person
- As a way of learning how to deal with hard times
- As an example of who we should try to be like; they are our role models

Alright, so, we have over 120 thousand Prophets (Anbiya, but do we know any of their names? Yes! Can anyone guess how many names are mentioned in the Qur'an? 25!

What are some of those 25 Prophets? Let's brainstorm together!

1. Adam AS	2. Idris AS (Enoch)	3. Nuh AS (Noah)	
4. Hud AS (Eber)	5. Shaleh AS (Salah)	6. Ibrahim AS (Abraham)	
7. Lut AS (Lot)	8. Ismail AS (Ishmael)	9. Ishaq AS (Isaac)	
10. Yaqub AS (Jacob)	11. Yusuf AS (Joseph)	12. Ayyub AS (Job)	
13. Shu'aib AS (Jethro)	14. Musa AS (Moses)	15. Harun AS (Aaron)	
16. Dzulkifli AS (Ezekiel)	17. Dawud AS (David)	18. Sulaiman AS (Solomon)	
19. Ilyas AS (Elijah)	20. Alyas'a AS (Elisha)	21. Yunus AS (Jonah)	
22. Zakaria AS (Zechariah)	23. Yahya AS (John the Baptist)	24. Isa AS (Jesus)	
25. Muhammad SAW *** the last and final Prophet			

Okay so there are many Prophets and Messengers, and they're important. But what kind of things did they do that made them so special?

- Prophets taught their people about true belief and believing in **one God** Allah SWT.
- Prophets were always truthful, and they never lied.
- Prophets were reliable and people counted on them to fulfil their duties.
- Prophets knew how to talk to all different kinds of people in a way that'll make them listen to the message!
- Prophets were really smart! They knew how to do things in the best way possible!
- Prophets were always kind and helped people.

<u>ACTIVITY:</u> Let's play a game! I will tell you the story of a Prophet who taught us a nice lesson and you tell me which Prophet I'm talking about! Ready? Let's go!

- 1) This Prophet used to make everyone feel like they were his best friend, and he always took care of the poor! Who is he? Prophet Muhammad SAW!
- 2) This Prophet could understand the language of the animals and always cared about them. Who is he? Prophet Sulayman!
- 3) This Prophet was swallowed by a whale, and he still trusted Allah SWT teaching us to never give up on hope and Dua. Who is he? Prophet Yunus!

Good job everyone! I'm very happy by how many of you knew the answers! Knowing the stories of the Prophets is a key way to become more like them, Insha Allah!



- Allah SWT loves us very much and He wants us to go to Jannah. He never left us alone to figure it out on our own. Instead, He sent the Messengers to help us understand what He expects from us.
- The Prophets were the best people and closest to Allah SWT. If we want to be close to Allah SWT, we should copy the Messengers good behaviour and actions too. Especially Prophet Muhammad SAW as he is the best role model for us!
- We believe in all the Prophets, not just the best Prophet, Prophet Muhammad SAW. All the Prophet stories serve as a guide for us on how to live our lives. The Messengers were ONLY humans



like us. Allah SWT allowed the miracles (extraordinary special things) to happen to them through His Mercy and Might! Allah SWT can do anything!

### <u>STAGE 2 – 3</u> <u>YEARS 3 - 6</u>

Many of us have special people that we love and trust - people that are strong, trustworthy and we can count on them to help us with big tasks. Well, Allah SWT has special people that He sent to guide and help us! Does anyone know who are Allah's special people? We call them **Prophets** and **Messengers**!

They have a big job of **delivering the message of God and telling people about Allah SWT**. Believing in Prophets and Messengers is the 4<sup>th</sup> part of having Iman.

There were 2 types of messengers:

- 1. **Rasool** (Messenger) receives revelation/messages from Allah SWT. These messages consist of new rules and instructions to teach people. (e.g. Musa AS, Issa AS, Muhammad SAW)
- 2. **Nabi** (Prophet) spread and explain the message of Allah SWT as received from Messengers /Rasool before them. They revive the teachings of a previous Messenger (e.g. Yusuf AS revived the message of his father Yacoob AS and his forefather Ibrahim AS).

(\*\*Please note: Not every Prophet is a Messenger, but every Messenger is a Prophet!).

So, here is a question for everyone: Why did Allah SWT send Prophets and Messengers to us? What do you think? (\*\*Let the students guess at some answers).

That's right! Allah SWT sent them to us to teach us about Him and believe in **One God**, how to worship Him and show that His rules are easy to follow. All the prophets were human, and we **do not** worship them. We must make sure we **respect** them and **learn** from them. They faced problems just like us! But they were very close to Allah SWT so from them, we learn how we can also be close to Allah SWT and also how to navigate life's ups and downs.

Alright, so, we have over 120 thousand Prophets (Anbiya), but do we know any of their names? Yes! Can anyone guess how many names are mentioned in the Qur'an? 25 is the correct answer! What are some of those 25 Prophets? Let's brainstorm together!

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Okay so there are many Prophets and Messengers, and they're important. But what kind of things did they do that made them so special?



- ✓ Prophets taught us Tawheed there is only One God, Allah SWT, and how to worship Him.
- ✓ Prophets were always truthful, and they never lied. They only said what Allah SWT made clear to them.
- ✓ Prophets were reliable and people counted on them to fulfil their duties.
- ✓ Prophets knew how to talk to all different kinds of people in a way that'll make them listen to the message!
- ✓ Prophets were really smart! They knew how to do things in the best way possible!
- ✓ Prophets were always kind and helped people.

The **Quran is the final message**, and **it was revealed to Prophet Muhammad SAW** who was the final Prophet. Islam is now complete and will never be changed or have anything added to it. The Qur'an is the complete word of Allah SWT, and it is the best form of remembrance of Allah SWT. Prophet Muhammad SAW was a walking and talking Qur'an. He is the best example of kindness, mercy, compassion, and worship. We should all try to learn more about how to be like him.

Prophet Muhammad SAW is our ultimate role model and here are a few reasons why:

- 1. He was never shy of his belief in Allah SWT. He always worshipped Allah SWT and called other people to Allah SWT even when people were mean to him because of this.
- 2. He was always kind towards every single person, to people from all walks of life. Even those people that mistreated him. He softened people's hearts by always showing them respect and kindness.
- 3. He taught us many important lessons like honouring neighbours, parents, teachers, and friends.
- 4. He never gave up hope even when things became difficult. For example, when his people chased him out of Makkah, he went to Madina and established a community of Muslims there.



- All of the Prophets came with the same message believing in One God. As Muslims, this belief in Tawhid (One God) is the foundation of our faith.
- Allah SWT loves us very much and He wants to reward us with Jannah. He sent the Messengers to help us understand what He expects from us. Prophets dealt with the same emotions we do feeling sad, upset, happy or hurt. In all the stories they deal with their feelings with the best positive attitude. For this reason, you will never hear a story of a Prophet lying, being mean, bullying, or cheating people. Instead, Allah SWT expects kindness, honesty, mercy, and fairness in our character like His Messengers.
- The Prophets were the best people and closest to Allah SWT. If we want to be close to Allah SWT, we should copy the Messengers good behaviour and actions too.
- A Muslim has to believe and follow the teachings of Prophet Muhammad SAW. The Prophet SAW had the most excellent manners and character. So, if we believe in Allah SWT, we need to believe in His Prophet SAW. This belief is shown in our ACTIONS! E.g. When we speak, we speak politely like Muhammad SAW. When we do any act of worship, we try and copy the Prophet SAW, because this is how Allah SWT wants us to worship Him!



# **LESSON 6: Belief in Judgement Day and Destiny (Qadr).**

Yr 1 & 2

- Students learn on the Last Day we will get rewards for our good deeds, and we will enter in Jannah.
- Students learn the definition of Qadr (Destiny)

Yr 3 & 4

- Students learn about how actions are weighed and how important character is on this Day.
- Students learn the definition of Qadr (Destiny) and that things happen in accordance with Allah SWTs Will and Plan.

Yr 5 & 6

- Students learn words of praise which will benefit them on the day of Judgement.
- Students learn the definition of Qadr (Destiny) and that things will happen in accordance with Allah's Will and Plan.
- Students will learn about good deeds that will bring them closer to Allah SWT.

### STAGE 1

#### <u>YEARS 1 – 2</u>

# \*\* Remember teachers - DO NOT talk about punishments or the Hellfire!! \*\*\*

Let's recap the Pillars of Iman we have learnt so far (recall actions in Lesson 1): Belief in Allah SWT, in His Angels, His Books, His Messengers! That's 4 Pillars so far. Today we will learn the last 2 Pillars of Iman.

The fifth pillar is <u>Belief in the Last Day</u>. This is the day when we will finally meet Allah SWT and insha'Allah, enter Jannah! It is also called **Judgement Day** (Yawm ed Deen!). On this day, each one of us will get our own book (a bit like a big report card) with all our actions recorded in it.

On this day, Allah SWT will question everyone's deeds. He will judge everyone fairly. Anyone who caused harm and trouble on planet Earth will be asked about it (no one can escape Allah SWT on that day!). Others will be put on stations of light like royalty (kings/ queens) as rewards for all the good things they did in this life.

So, we need to be very careful not to cause trouble or harm to any of Allah SWT creations! We only want good actions to be presented before Allah SWT on Judgement Day. For this reason, The Prophet SAW taught us that we should ask Allah SWT for forgiveness every day. It is as simple as feeling sorry and saying *Astagh fir Allah* to wipe out mistakes, so they don't show up on Judgement Day!

The last Pillar is Belief in **Qadr, or destiny.** Allah SWT gave humans **Free Will** - which means we can choose to do good or bad. Allah SWT blessed us with a heart and a brain, which we can use to think about things and make choices. However, Allah SWT already knows what choices we will make. Allah SWT **knows** everything and has **control** of everything and nothing happens without His permission.

Belief in **Qadr** means we know Allah SWT is in charge of our life- and has planned it perfectly! So, if good things happen, we say Alhamdulillah (thank and praise Allah SWT). And if sometimes things don't work out the way we want – it means Allah SWT has a better plan for us and so we should also still say Alhamdulillah! In fact, knowing that Allah SWT is always in control helps us to stay calm and feel safe Alhamdullilah!

**BRAINSTORMING ACTIVITY**: Ask: What are examples of good deeds that can help fill our scales and get us to Jannah? (\*\*Some examples are below. Workbook Scales Activity is highly recommended also).



- ✓ Smiling, greeting others, helping others, having a positive attitude
- ✓ Using manners: saying please, excuse me, sorry, and thank you,
- ✓ Not talking back to elders, or talking behind others backs, speaking in a kind, gentle voice,
- ✓ Moving harm away from others,
- ✓ Listening respectfully to others, being patient, forgiving, caring,
- ✓ Avoiding fights and arguments, not hurting the feelings of others
- ✓ Being hardworking, honest, humble, modest, not arrogant or showing off.



# **LESSONS LEARNT:**

• Believing in Judgement Day means we should always try our best to be responsible and respectful. As Mu'mins, we need to make good choices every day, and whenever we make a mistake, we should hurry to fix it! Always try your best and Allah SWT has promised to reward you for your efforts- both in this life and on Judgement Day!

#### **STAGES 2 & 3**

#### **YEARS 3 - 6**

Let's recap the Pillars of Iman that we have learnt so far (\*\*Recall actions in Lesson 1). Belief in Allah SWT, in His Angels, in His Books, in His Messengers! That's 4 Pillars so far, today we will learn the last 2.

The fifth pillar is the belief in the **last day**. This is the special day when we will finally meet Allah SWT and enter Jannah! (paradise). It is also called **Judgement Day** (yawm ad deen).

On that day Allah SWT will ask about *everything* we said and did during our time on planet Earth. Remember we are here to be tested. We will be asked if we behaved well and followed Allah SWT instructions and lived the way of our Prophet SAW, or whether we disobeyed and caused harm.

Allah is **the Most Just and Fair**. He told us that whoever makes the right choices and believes in Him will be rewarded with His beautiful Jannah. Our success on the Last Day depends on whoever believed in Allah SWT and made the right choices!

**On Judgement Day**, we will all be standing in front of Allah SWT- like a big assembly! There will be huge scales that our deeds will be placed on. On this day no one can take away your reward or your efforts-as Allah SWT is watchful over everything, and He will even remind you of all the good things you forgot you did! Those with lots of good sincere deeds will be successful!

And it is also the day that those who caused trouble and harm on Earth will be in questioned about it by Allah SWT! Noone can escape Allah SWT on that day. All the evidence will be presented and no one will be treated unfairly. Subhan Allah, everyone will get what they deserve! All your efforts will not go to waste- as Allah SWT knows everything and does not forget a single detail!



Our Prophet SAW has told us a very important story about the person who is bankrupt/poor on judgement day. What does it mean to be poor he asked his companions? – what do you think?

"Do you know who the bankrupt is?" They said: "O Messenger of Allah SAW! The bankrupt among us is the one who has no Dirham/money nor property." The Prophet SAW said: "The bankrupt in my Ummah/nation is the one who comes with <u>Salat and fasting and Zakat on the Day of Judgement, (So you have a lot of hasant maybe as big as a mountain!)...</u> but you have ....abused this one (harmed someone), falsely accusing that one (backbiting/gossip), wrongfully consuming the wealth of this one (stealing/cheating), spilling the blood of that one, and beating this one..." all these people you wrong will come on the day of judgement -and line up to take your hasanat from you as payback!! Until you can



become bankrupt!! and then they can also add their bad deeds to your record!! (Sahih) Because on the day of judgement you need every single hasana to get into Jannah- money is not the currency but deeds will be!

This is a very important hadith about being responsible and respectful with every creation of Allah SWT! You never know which action can take you Jannah and which action can keep you away from Jannah? Be mindful and always follow up a bad action with a good action to wipe out your mistakes. And ask Allah SWT to forgive you everyday with simply saying Astaghfir- Allah! Ask the person you wronged also to forgive you- so your mistakes will not show up on that day.

The final pillar of Iman is the belief in **Destiny**. We believe as Muslims that Allah SWT is **Al-Aleem** (All Knowing). He knows what will happen from the beginning to the very end Allah SWT has recorded all this as our **destinies** in a special book called the "**Al-Lawh al-Mahfuth"** (the preserved tablet-long before creating the heavens and the earth). Whether good happens or bad- Allah SWT knows about it. Nothing happens in the universe without Allah SWT permission- as he is **Al-Qadir** (All Capable!).

However, Allah SWT also gave us **free will**, the ability to <u>think</u> and <u>choose</u> between good and bad (with His permission). If we do bad, it is because we chose to and if we do good it is because Allah SWT blessed us and gave us the ability to do so. So always say Alhamdulillah to thank Allah SWT for protecting us from the wrong actions. This is also why we say **In sha Allah** (if Allah SWT wills) when making plans!

Belief in **Qadr** means we know Allah SWT is in charge of our life- and has planned it perfectly! So, If good things happen, we say Alhamdulillah (thank and praise Allah SWT). And the opposite, if sometimes things don't work out the way we want – we should also say Alhamdulillah- because it means Allah SWT has a better plan for us! So, knowing that Allah SWT is in control helps us stay calm and feel safe Alhamdullilah! **Perhaps you dislike something, which is good for you and like something, which is bad for you. Allah knows, and you do not know (2:216).** 

#### (\*\*\*CONTINUE TO EXTENSION BELOW FOR YEARS 5 & 6):



#### **LESSONS LEARNT (For Stage 2 &3):**

To get the pleasure of **Allah SWT** and enter Jannah, we should focus on the following:

- Believing in judgement day means we should always try our best to be responsible and respectful. As Mumins we need to make good choices every day, and whenever we make a mistake- we should hurry to fix it! Always try your best and Allah SWT has promised to reward you for your efforts- both in this life and on judgement day!
- Fill your scales with good words and actions: The Prophet SAW said: "... al-Hamdu Lillah fills the scale, and Subhan Allah and al-Hamdu Lillah fill up what is between the heavens and the earth!" (Muslim).

### \*\*\*EXTENSION POINTS FOR YEARS 5 & 6 ONLY:

• Do you know that on the Last Day, the first thing that Allah SWT will question us about is our prayer (Salah)? Salah reminds us that one day, we will stand in front of Allah SWT just as we stand in prayer. Also, Salah helps us to stay away from wrongdoings. We must make sure to perform our Salah on time with sincerity and humility. Allah SWT will also question us about the blessings that He gave us. We should check if we are using all our blessings, such as our body, time, wealth, and knowledge, to obey Allah SWT and to prepare for the Last Day. As NO excuses will be accepted on that day.





# **LESSONS LEARNT (For Stage 3):**

- Be responsible for your actions-Judge yourself before you are judged; This means always think about your actions and ask yourself will Allah SWT be happy with this- and would I like for this action to be on book of deeds? Always fix your mistakes immediately ask for forgiveness and remove it before the day of judgement! The Prophet SAW said, "Nothing is placed on the Scale that is heavier than good character" (Tirmidhi).
- Trust in Allah SWT plans; true faith Iman in this pillar is when you understand that Allah SWT is always in control (no matter how bad the situation looks). Especially when we see terrible things happening in the world. Remember that behind the scenes is Allah SWT and we as humanscannot see the unseen or understand the full picture. As Muslims we do not question Qadrdestiny, but instead we completely trust Allah SWT- knowing He is in control. Knowing this gives us comfort and allows us to always feel safe and optimistic!
- Make lots of Dua to Allah SWT for guidance and help, as we cannot do anything good without His mercy and support. Moreover, both Dua and charity provide relief from difficulties and can even prevent a bad things from happening.
- Practice Filling your scales; The Prophet SAW: ... al-Hamdu Lillah fills the scale, and Subhan Allah and al-Hamdu Lillah fill up what is between the heavens and the earth, and prayer is a light, and charity is proof (of one's faith) ..."(Muslim) and "(There are) two words which are dear to the Merciful (Rahman) and very light for the tongue, but very heavy in weight in the scale. They are: "Subhan Allah wa-bi hamdihi" and "Subhan Allah Al-`Atheem" (Bukhari)

# **LESSON 7: The First 10 Days of Dhul Hijjah**

• Students understand some of the importance of the first 10 days of Dhul Hijjah and the Day of Arafah.

• Students brainstorm good deeds to do during this time.

• Students practice making Dua.

Yr 1 & 2

Yr 3 & 4

Yr 5 & 6

• Students practice making Dua especially the recommended Dua for the Day of Arafah.

• Students understand it is important to make Dua on the day of Arafah.

• Students reflect on good deeds they can do during the first 10 days of Dhul Hijjah and the day of Arafah.

• Students reflect on acts of worship and good deeds they can practice in Dhul Hijjah and the benefits these would have for their lives and others, including outside of Dhul Hijjah.

• Students learn about the best Dua to be said on the Day of Arafah.

• Students understand the benefits of fasting on the Day of Arafah.

# <u>STAGE 1</u> <u>YEARS 1 - 2</u>

During the year, there are many times that are better than the rest and extra special! One of these special times is the last month of the Islamic calendar: **Dhul Hijjah!** This is a month where we can gain extra rewards for doing any good deeds, big or small! It is a month where we can get closer to Allah SWT and make Him happy with us.

So, why is this month special?

- It has the best 10 days in the entire year inside of it.
- It has the best day in the entire year inside of it called the Day of Arafah.
- Muslims visit the Kaabah in this month to perform Hajj.



- The second big celebration for Muslims, called Eid Al Adha, takes place in this month.

If I ask any of you when the best day for you is, you might say the day you get presents or go somewhere fun like a water park etc. Just like that, in the Islamic calendar, there are 10 days that we get even more rewards for anything we do! 10 days where Allah SWT forgives more, gives us what we ask for more and gives us more hasanat (reward)! These are the first 10 days of Dhul Hijjah.

Prophet Muhammad SAW told us that, "there are no days greater and more beloved to Allah than these (first) ten days of Dhul Hijjah.' (Ahmad). So, just like we have favourite days in our lives, Allah SWT does too, and He made sure to tell us about them out of His love and mercy for us so that we can make sure to use these 10 days to do a lot of good deeds!

What things should we do in these 10 days to get closer to Allah SWT and gain His rewards?

- ✓ More worship: pray more, lots of Dua to Allah SWT, smile at others, give charity, read Qur'an.
- ✓ **Be a kinder and more helpful**: try to help others, especially your parents at home and teachers/ students at school. Try to always take care of others. We should try our best to be on good behaviour, with no yelling, shouting, swearing or being mean to others.
- ✓ **Fasting**: Fasting the first 9 days of Dhul Hijjah is one of the best deeds you can do. (We do not fast on the 10th day because that is the day of Eid Al Adha!)
- ✓ **Dua and Istighfar**: Making Dua for ourselves and others during these 10 days! Especially try to remember the Muslims all around the world and make dua for them. There are many people who do not have what we have or don't even feel safe, let's try to always include them in our Dua and ask Allah SWT to make it easier for them!
- ✓ **Dhikr**: Allah SWT says we should mention the name of Allah on these special days (Quran 22:28) and the Prophet SAW also said: "... recite a great deal of **tahleel** (saying Laa ilaaha ill-Allah), **takbeer** (saying Allahu akbar) and **tahmeed** (saying al-hamdu Lillah) during them." (Ahmad). This is one of the easiest good deeds you can do!

Let's practice together and learn their meaning in English:

Laa ilaaha ill-Allah = There is no god but Allah Subhan Allah = How amazing and Glorious is Allah

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So, in the 10 best days, is there one that is the absolute best? Yes! **The Day of Arafah!** 

Wait a second, what is the Day of Arafah and how is it the best day in the Islamic calendar? **The Day of Arafah is the 9**<sup>th</sup> **day of Dhul Hijjah** (part of the best 10 days).

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On this day, Allah SWT comes down close to our Heaven to listen to people making Dua and proudly tells the angels about these people! Can you imagine Allah SWT boasting and talking about how proud He is of you to the angels?! Allah SWT also forgives more people on this day than on any other! So, we should spend the day doing good deeds like fasting and making Dua.





- Allah SWT is so kind to us. Allah SWT gives us special days and times, like Dhul Hijjah and special places, like the Kaabah to help us learn about Him, what He loves, and encourages us practice the good things that Allah SWT loves.
- Allah SWT is always happy to reward us, but we need to put in effort too! Allah SWT has told us what the best things to do in this special time is and the reward for doing them! But we need to make sure that we try to do as much as we can in these days so that we can get those rewards!

#### **STAGE 2 & 3**

#### **YEARS 3 - 6**

During the year, there are many times that are better than the rest and extra special! One of these special times is the last month of the Islamic calendar: **Dhul Hijjah!** This is a month where we can gain extra rewards for doing any good deeds, big or small! It is a month where we can get closer to Allah SWT and make Him happy with us.

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What things should we do in these 10 days to get closer to Allah SWT and gain His love?

- ✓ More worship: pray more, make lots of Dua, smile at others, give charity, read Qur'an.
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So, the main things to do on this day is fast and make Dua:

Prophet Muhammad SAW said: "Fasting on the Day of Arafah removes the sins of the past year and the coming year." Subhaan Allah! We fast just one day but Allah SWT will forgive our sins for two years!

Prophet Muhammad SAW also said: "The best supplication is the **supplication (dua) of the day of Arafah.** And the best of what I and the prophets before me have said is:

'None has the right to be worshipped except Allah, along, without a partner. To Him belongs sovereignty and all praise and He is All-Powerful over all things." (Tirmidhi)

Laa ilaaha ill-allaahu, waḥdahu laa shareeka lah, lahul-mulku wa lahul-ḥamdu, wa huwa `alaa kulli shay'in qadeer.

Let's try saying this together! (\*\*\*Practice reciting this dua with the students).



- Allah SWT is so kind to us. Allah SWT gives us special days and times, like Dhul Hijjah and special places, like the Kaabah to help us learn about Him, what He loves, and encourages us practice the good things that Allah loves. Allah SWT gives us so many opportunities to come close to us and is always ready to accept whatever we can offer Him! Imagine someone that you can trust, who is always there for you. You would want to do the things that make that person happy right? That is what Allah SWT is to us! We should always try to please Him.
- Allah SWT is always happy to reward us, but we need to put in effort too! Allah SWT has told us what the best things to do in this special time is and even what the reward of doing them is. But we need to make sure that we try to do a lot in these days so we can have His happiness and get those rewards! We need to make sure we use these days and do not spend them in wasting time or



treating others poorly. If we want Allah SWT to be happy with us, talk to the angels about us, accept our supplications and forgive us, we need to try our best and practice more good deeds.

• Never forget how much Allah SWT loves us! Whenever we take a few steps closer to Allah SWT, He comes to us running! (Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 2687). We should never forget how much Allah SWT loves us and wants the best for us. This is why He tells us to do things – because He always wants what's best for us – and why He chose Islam for us as the best way to live!

# **LESSON 8: Eid Al-Adha**

Yr 1 &	Students learn about Eid al Adha and how to prepare for it.
2 Yr 3 &	Students learn about Eid al Adha and how to prepare for it.
4	Students learn about Eid al Adha and how to prepare for it.
Yr 5 & 6	- Students learn about the ar Auna and now to prepare for it.

# <u>STAGE 1 - 3</u> <u>YEARS 1 – 6</u>

It's time to celebrate the 2<sup>nd</sup> Islamic festival - Eid al-Adha! Muslims all around the world will be celebrating on a special day called Eid. Eid is the Muslim holiday and the day everyone gives thanks to Allah SWT and celebrates as a whole community. Eid means a "festival" or a "feast day" in the Arabic.

#### There are two Muslim holidays:

- **Eid al-Fitr-** celebrated the day after Ramadan ends which was back in April this year.
- **Eid al-Adha** will be celebrated in the month of June.

**Eid al-Adha** is an annual Islamic festival meaning "Festival of Sacrifice" and is celebrated on the **10**<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month Dhul Hijjah, the twelfth and last month of the Islamic calendar. At this time, Hajj is also happening (\*\*Recall understanding from previous lessons).

#### The Story of Eid al Adha!



A long time ago, Prophet Ibrahim AS and his wife Hajjar had a beautiful baby boy named Ismail. When the baby became older, Prophet Ibrahim AS had a dream to give up his most special and dear thing for Allah SWT. Prophet Ibrahim AS told his son about this dream and Ismail told his father to do what Allah SWT had asked him to do.

So, both father and son went to give up their dearest and special thing as Allah SWT commanded them to do so. Suddenly, Allah SWT said "Stop Ibrahim, you have obeyed my command from your dream!" Allah SWT had tested Prophet Ibrahim AS and his son Ismail to give up something that they loved and they had passed this test of faith and belief. Allahu Akbar!

Eid is a time of happiness and blessings where family and friends get together to celebrate. Muslims all around the world celebrate Eid al-Adha. We don't forget Allah SWT or those less fortunate when we do. The celebrations last for up to three days and involves praying, feasting, giving gifts and charity. Alhamdulillah, Allah SWT gifted us with another Eid! It's time to wear special clothes, decorate the house and have delicious foods. Refer below Eid al Adha checklist.



# \*\*\* YEARS 1 – 2, GO TO EID CHECKLIST / LESSONS LEARNT BELOW

# EXTENSION FOR STAGE 2 & 3 (YEARS 3 – 6).

Prophet Ibrahim AS made a choice and did not question Allah SWT's command. He loved his son but loved Allah SWT more. He put his complete trust and dependence in Allah SWT as did his son Prophet Ismail. This is having Tawakkul (trust) in Allah SWT for Allah SWT loves those that trust and grants them success and good blessings. Allah SWT was so pleased with the readiness of Prophet Ibrahim AS to fulfil His command.

Today, Muslims all around the world remember this story about Prophet Ibrahim and his son's courage, their deep love for Allah SWT and the passing of the test Allah SWT had given them. Eid al-Adha relates to Prophet Ibrahim's supreme act of faith and his willingness to please Allah SWT.

#### Similarities and differences between Eid al-Adha and Eid al-Fitr.

Eid al-Fitr means the festival of breaking of the fast and is celebrated at the end of Ramadan on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Shawwal which is the tenth month of the Islamic calendar. As mentioned, Eid al-Adha means "Festival of Sacrifice" and is celebrated on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month Dhul Hijjah. They are both celebrated once a year and on Eid al-Fitr as in Eid al-Adha, Muslims offer two units of congregational Eid prayer, visit their neighbours, family and friends and exchange sweets and gifts.

There is a special act of charity which occurs in Eid al Adha only which is named **Qurbani or also known as Udhiyah**. It honours the willingness of Prophet Ibrahim AS to sacrifice his son, Prophet Ismail AS, as an act of obedience to Allah SWT's command. However, Allah SWT was testing Prophet Ibrahim AS and provided a lamb to sacrifice instead. In tribute of this, an animal like a goat, sheep, cow or camel is sacrificed and divided into three parts: one part of the share is given to the poor and needy; second part is for the home, third is given to relatives and friends. Many poor Muslim families who cannot afford meat can enjoy eating a meal prepared with meat during Eid al-Adha.

**Takbir** means to announce the Greatness of Allah SWT, so the meaning of 'Allahu Akbar' is **Allah is the Greatest**. The Prophet SAW said 'Beautify your Eid with as much takbir as possible' on the days of Eid. We should read it with our hearts filled with the greatness of Allah SWT so that we are not merely repeating words without experiencing their meaning.

Fun fact: the very first thing you hear as a baby as you enter into this world is 'Allahu Akbar' which was whispered in your ear at birth!

\*\*Please remind students to continuously try to repeat the Takbir from the Day of Arafah and after every Fard prayer during Eid al-Adha and during the days after Eid Al Adha (The Days of Tashreeq on 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of Dhul-Hijjah).



There are different versions of the Eid al Adha Takbir, but it generally goes like this:

Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar	Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great
Allahu Akbar, Laa illaaha ill- Allah	Allah is Most Great, there is no god but
	Allah
waAllahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar	Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great
Wa lillaahil Hamd	Allah is Most Great and to Allah is all praise

**Note:** Some say the first Takbirs as just 2 instead of 3 Al-Musannaf by Abu Shaybah, 2/165-168; Irwa' alGhaleel, 3/125) and there are other accepted variations.



### **Eid Checklist**

- ✓ Help clean, tidy and decorate your **home or Masjid!** It's time to celebrate!
- ✓ Have a bath/shower before or on the morning of Eid **smell nice** and look good!
- ✓ Wear the nicest clothes for Eid. Remember, wear your BEST clothes, not necessarily new clothes!
- ✓ Learn the **Takbir**. Repeat Takbir before and during the days of Eid, especially after your prayer.
- ✓ Go to Eid prayers at the park or Masjid.
- ✓ Do the **Eid prayer and listen to the Khutbah/Eid talk afterwards**.
- ✓ Remind someone in your family to pay for the **Eid Adhyah or Qubani**, (special Eid charity).
- ✓ Smile, greet and congratulate other Muslims during (and after) Eid e.g., say **Eid Mubarak!**
- ✓ Make lots of **Dua** for yourself and others, especially those who are oppressed, suffering or sick.
- √ If you receive Eid gifts, remember your manners and say "jazaakum Allahu khairan" or "thank you!"



- An important part of Eid celebrations includes caring, giving and helping those who are less fortunate. On Eid, Muslims support the people that are in difficult situations by visiting the sick in hospital or the elderly. Also providing good food, nice clothes and other needs so the poor are able to celebrate Eid in happiness. Islam teaches us to share our kindness and blessings every day and especially on Eid day. How beautiful is Islam! Subhan Allah! Alhamdulillah!
- Prophets Ibrahim AS and Ismail AS knew what sacrifice meant; giving up things which are valuable for something that is even more valuable and important to being a successful Muslim. Ask the Students to think of some things they are willing to give up/let go to show Allah SWT their willingness to obey even if it costs something. Prompt students with the following examples:
  - Favourite toy or game
  - Watching favourite cartoon
  - Ipad
  - Listening to music

- Tasty and favourite food
- Nice clothes or shoes
- Playing favourite game like Fortnite or FIFA
- A share of Eid money



# **LESSON 9: His Deen, The Straight Path**

Yr 1 & 2

• Students extend understanding about who Allah SWT is, and the Deen (way of life). He wants for us by understanding parts of this chapter (Surah).

Yr 3 & 4

- Students understand that Allah SWT loves and wants to guide and connect to us through the Qur'an, and that Surah Al-Fatiha is an example of this.
- Students understand our belief in Allah SWT and the understanding of this Surah should influence our behaviour, words and thoughts throughtout the day.

Yr 5 & 6

• Students extend understanding of Allah SWT, His words and Deen and ways to apply this understanding in everyday life. Students understand some of the significance of this Surah for thier lives.

STAGE 1

# YEAR1 - YEAR 2

We learnt this term that Allah SWT sent a holy book, the Qur'an, to the Prophet Muhammad SAW. The Qur'an guides us about Allah SWT and the purpose of our lives. Reading and understanding the Qur'an is the best way to get us closer to Allah SWT.

Do you know the name of the first chapter of the Qur'an? **Al-Fatiha** is the opening chapter of the Qur'an. It has seven **Ayats** (verses/ sentences). Who knows it? Let's recite it together!

#### Surat Al-Fatiha

- 8. Bismillaghir Rahmagnir Raheem
- 9. Alhamdu lillaahi Rabbil 'aalameen
- 10. Ar-Rahmaanir-Raheem
- 11. Maaliki Yawmid-Deen
- 12. Iyyaaka na'budu wa Iyyaaka nasta'een
- 13. Ihdinas-Siraatal-Mustageem
- 14. Siraatal-lazeena an'amta 'alaihim ghayrilmaghdoobi 'alaihim wa lad-daaalleen

In Al-Fatiha we say **Alhamdulillah**. Do you know what Alhamdulillah means? It means all praises and thanks is for Allah SWT! We thank Allah SWT for everything always!

There are many names of Allah SWT that we say in this beautiful chapter:

- ✓ Rahman, Raheem: means Allah SWT is the Most kindest!
- ✓ Rabb He is our Lord and Creator
- ✓ Malik The King of everything and everyone in the entire universe!!

In this super Surah (chapter), we also ask Allah SWT to show us the right way to Jannah!! We ask to be on the straight path; Siraatal-Mustaqeem! (Suggested teacher make a hand gesture of a straight way). We pray Allah SWT keeps us safe and protected on the path of Islam!!

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- ✓ We should recite the Al-Fatiha daily many times for help and protection, for example:
  - Before we sleep.
  - Before we go to school or on our way to school.
  - When we are not feeling well.



- ✓ Start to develop a habit of reciting it because when you perform Salah, you recite this surah so many times throughout your day!!!
- ✓ Reciting Quran is a very important way to get heaps of hasanat and many rewards from Allah SWT!!

Who wants to gain lots of hasanat by standing up and reciting Al-Fatiha for the class?

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### STAGE 2 & STAGE 3 YEAR 3 - 6

Surah Al-Fatiha is a very special Surah/chapter in the Quran. It is the first Surah and the best Surah!!

When Allah SWT send down this Surah- He opened a special spot in Jannah and an Angel came down to planet Earth to deliver these 7 beautiful verses/ Ayat.



One day, "While Jibril AS was with the Prophet SAW, he heard a noise from above. Jibril AS lifted his sight to the sky and said, 'This is a door in heaven being opened, and it has *never been opened* before now.' An angel came down from that door and came to the Prophet SAW and said, 'Receive the glad tidings (good news) of two lights that you have been given, which no other Prophet before you was given: the *Opening of the Book- Al-Fatiha....* and the last (three) Ayat of Surat Al-Baqarah... Whenever you read a letter from them... you "will gain its benefit" (Sahih Muslim).

Surah Al-Fatiha is a beautiful conversation between us and Allah SWT. We recite it in every prayer. In fact, when you start to pray all 5 prayers, you will recite Al-Fatiha 17 TIMES A DAY!

So, let us start to understand these 7 verses so we can appreciate our salah also!!

Ayah 1: Bismillah hir rahman nir Raheem

• In the name of Allah the Most Merciful the Most kind!

We start all our good actions with the name of Allah SWT- Bi-ism-illah! Allah SWT is the most generous the name **Ar-Rahman** means Allah SWT shows his mercy/kindness to all His creations. But **Ar-Raheem** is a special extra love He shows to His Believers- like you!!

Ayah 2: Alhamdu lillaahi Rabbil 'aalameenaheem All praise is for Allah, the Lord of the Worlds!

The word 'Hamd' means both praise and thanks. Allah SWT is the most deserving of praise and thanks because He has created everything in the universe! Allah SWT also looks after everything! He is the Rabb/ Lord of everyone (Al 'aalameen) and everything (the world of humans, Angels, animals, everything in the universe)! He makes sure everything works in perfect order and balance. So, we always start by praising Him and showing gratitude that He is our Rabb. Allah SWT responds to us in this Ayah and says, "My servant has praised me"!!

Ayah 3: Ar-Rahmaanir-Raheem

•The Most Merciful, the Most Kind.

Again, Allah SWT mentions two of His important names; **Ar-Rahman and Ar-Raheem**. Reminding us that He is the Most merciful and kind to His creations.



Ayah 4: Maaliki Yawmid-Deen

King of the Day of Judgement

Allah is the Malik- King of everything. And here we say that Allah SWT is the only King on the day of Judgement. As we learnt before; The Day of Judgement is the day where all creations will be gathered-in front of Allah SWT. All our actions will be judged by Allah SWT. It is ONLY Allah SWT who will decide who will go to Jannah on that day! Allah is fair and no one will be judged unfairly. All your good actions will be mentioned, and Allah SWT will reward you in a way that is beyond your imagination!

Ayah 5: Iyyaaka na'budu wa Iyyaaka nasta'een

•It is ONLY You that we worship, and only You we ask for help.

This Ayah is very important because we tell Allah SWT that we only believe in and worship Him alone. And we can only do this with Allah SWT's help. We ask Allah SWT for help because He is our Rabb, the Rahman, Raheem, the Malik (King) who is able to do anything!!

Remember, we are directly talking to Allah SWT. So, if we need help we should turn to Allah SWT first - He can answer all our prayers. The Prophet SAW and his companions would ask Allah SWT for the smallest of things. Allah SWT promised if we ask Him, He will answer! "When he says, 'You alone we worship, You alone we ask for help,' Allah says: This is between Me and My servant, and My servant will have what he has asked for!"

Ayah 6: Ihdinas Siraatal-Mustaqeem

•Guide us to the straight path!

And what are we asking of Allah? This Ayah is what we want-guidance to the correct path (Sirat) up to Jannah!!! This is the Dua in surah Al-Fatiha to ask for guidance to the correct path/way up to Jannah!

Ayah 7: Siraatal-lazeena an'amta 'alaihim ghayril-maghdoobi 'alaihim wa lad-daaalleen

 The path of those who you have guided and not those who gained your anger or are lost.

This is a special path that Allah SWT choose for His Prophets and the honest believers. We want to always try to follow our Prophets guidance. We don't want to do the wrong things that will make Allah SWT angry, and we don't want to be lost (*daleen*) by not following Islam properly.

### Quick recap:

- ✓ How many names of Allah SWT did you hear in Al-Fatiha?
- ✓ What does Maliki yawm id deen mean?
- ✓ What does iyyakha na' bado mean?
- ✓ What does iyyakhi nastaeen mean?
- ✓ What is as- sirat?
- ✓ What is Alhamduliah mean?
- Start a habit of reciting the Al-Fatiha daily many times for help and protection, for example:
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  - When we are not feeling well.
  - When you need to feel worried, etc.





#### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Al Fatiha teaches us to call on Allah SWT to guide us to the straight path! We can only be guided by Allah SWT, without Him we can be lost and forget our purpose! We need to constantly ask for Allah SWT to keep us steadfast on the straight path in this life so we can get Jannah in the next! We need to be careful who our close friends are because sometimes they can impact the path we are on. "A man is on the religion of his best friend, so look at who you befriend." (Tirmidhi).
- Al Fatiha is a compulsory part of our daily life. Allah SWT made it compulsory for us to pray 5 times a day and made Al-Fatiha a compulsory part our Salah. This means that Al-Fatiha is a very important! We need to repeat it at least 17 times a day!! Our guidance comes from the Qur'an and our Prophet SAW. Continue to do all the things that Allah SWT loves and keep away from things that harm your Iman NEVER GIVE UP!
- Praising and thanking Allah SWT should be an important part of our daily lives. The Fatiha reminds us that we should only worship and praise Allah SWT. Repeating it throughout our day helps keep our hearts pure and focused on meeting Allah SWT one day!

Al Fatiha is a powerful prayer between you and Allah SWT. The next time you recite it be aware and take your time knowing that Allah SWT is responding to you with every verse!

# **LESSON 10: Revision**

Yr 1 & 2 Yr 3 &

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Yr 5 & 6

- Students reflect on lessons learnt throughout the term and strategies for implementing these in their life
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- Let's recap 5 Pillars of Islam. Who can say them?
- Let's recap the 6 Pillars of Iman (with actions)?
- What is one Name of Allah SWT you have learnt?
- Who can recite Qur'an? Ayat Kursi? Surat Al Ikhlas? Surah Al Fatiha?
- What is the name of an Angel of Allah SWT?
- What is the name of the Book that came with Prophet Muhammad SAW?
- What are the names of the 5 strong and 'most determined' Prophets mentioned in the Qur'an?
- Why do the Pillars of Iman (faith) remind us that we should we be mindful of our actions?
- Do Muslim believe there is such a thing as luck in Islam? Or is everything planned already?

Read this poem together. (It can also be played on whiteboard using ISRE Website Resource link).

I believe in Allah SWT and His Angels And the holy scriptures And the Messengers, and the Final Day,
And to believe in destiny
That good and bad both come from Him,
There is no god but Allah SWT.

Amantu billahi wa mala'ikatihi wa kutubi hi
wa rusulihi
wal-yaumil-akhiri
wal-qadri khayrihi
wa sharrihi min Allah
la ilaha illallah.