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Zaid  Leena  Mr. Mahmood  Mrs. Mahmood

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Amir  Omar  Mona  Khalid

Ahmad  Teacher Hibah  Baby Yousuf
I Think of Allah First

**questions?**

1. Who do you think of before doing a good deed?
2. Who is the first one we should try to please?
3. Who should be more important to us than playing or eating or sleeping?
4. How can we make sure we are doing the right thing?

**word watch**

Leena was so excited. She ran straight to her bedroom. Today she would get to open her new paint set! She had finished helping mama and she had finished her homework too. She was so happy!
Right when she sat down with some paper and paint, Leena heard the athan clock call for Maghrib prayer. She patiently waited for the athan to finish and said her dua’a. Then she started to paint.

**Leena thought**, “I think I can draw one picture before going to pray.” As soon as Leena began painting, her mother came into the room.

**Mama asked**, “Leena, don’t you think there is something more important that you should be doing?”

**Leena answered sweetly**, “I’m going to pray as soon as I finish this drawing, Mama!” Leena’s mother shook her head and called Leena to come sit on the bed with her.
Mama asked, “Who gave you the paint set, Leena?”
Leena answered, “You and Baba did, Mama.”
Mama asked, “And who gave you a Mama and a Baba?”
Leena answered, “Allah did!”
Mama, “So don’t you think you should thank Allah before you do anything else?”

Leena thought for a moment, “Without Allah, I would have nothing. I would have no paint set, no parents. I wouldn’t even be here!”

Mama smiled, “That’s right, my dear. And Allah created you and everyone else to worship Him.”
Leena, “I’m so glad you reminded me Who comes FIRST, Mama! Let’s go pray!”

We obey Allah FIRST because Allah is special.

We obey Allah FIRST. We should always remember Allah before anything and everything we do. One way we can do this is by doing every deed to make Allah happy. This way, we will always do good things.
"La yo’minu ahadukum hatta yakoon Allah warasooluhu ahabba ilayhi mimma siwahuma."

Anas reported that Rasoolullah said, “You will not be a true believer until you love Allah and His messenger more than anything else.’

Before you begin anything, say: 

بسم الله

Bismillah!

This means: “In the name of Allah”
We should think of Allah first because it makes Him pleased with us. When we remember Allah before everything we do, He does nice things for us. Allah is a loving God. When we do things for God, we make it our niyyah, or intention, to please Him.

While Leena and her mother were praying Maghrib, Zaid and Baba were coming from the masjid. Zaid saw some empty cans lying in the grass. He ran to pick them up and threw them in the trash can.

Zaid said to his dad, “Allah made the world for us to live in, so we should take care of it! That's what Teacher Hibah taught me! I picked the trash up to keep our grass clean. I hope Allah will be happy with me.”
Zaid's father was very proud. He said, "InshAllah, Allah will give you many rewards (Hasanat), Zaid. You had the right niyyah, because you picked up the trash to please and obey Allah.

Allah is Al-Awwal
الأول

Allah is the First, and we should always try to please Him first. Allah is the First because He was there before anything else.

CHAPTER REVIEW

study

- questions

1. Who should we always try to please when doing any deed?
2. What should we say before doing an action?
3. What is the name of Allah in Arabic that means "The First?"
Allah created the first human out of clay. He named him "Adam." Adam was the first man Allah ever made, so Adam didn’t have a mother or a father. He was also the first prophet. The story of Adam teaches us how important it is to obey Allah.
A long, long time ago, before there were any people, Allah gathered all the angels. He told them to bow down to Prophet Adam, the first human, to show their respect.

All the angels bowed down to Adam except

**IBLEES**

**IBLEES** was arrogant. He refused to bow down to Adam, because Adam was made of clay and Iblees was made of fire.

Do you know what creatures are made out of fire?

**Jinn** are made from fire. There are good **jinn** and bad **jinn**. **IBLEES** was not an angel. He had been a good **jinn**, but he disobeyed Allah’s order to bow down to **Adam**. This made Iblees a bad jinn. **IBLEES** thought he was better than Adam.
How did Iblees dare to disobey Allah in such a bad way!?

What Iblees did was not smart. He made Allah very, very angry with him.

Allah told Iblees:

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قال فاتخرج من هنا فإنك رجيم
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"Then, get out of here (Heavens) because you are Rajeem (cursed and punished)."  Surat-ul-Hijr: Ayah 34

Allah sent Iblees out of Heaven and told him that he would live in Hell after a while. Allah gave him a new name: Shaytan, or Satan. This meant he was away from Allah’s mercy and that he would burn in Hell. Shaytan then promised to trick people to disobey Allah and do bad deeds so they would go to Hell like him.

Ever since that day, Shaytan has tried to make people disobey Allah and do bad things.
Are we going to listen to Shaytan and do bad things?

NO! NO! NO! NO!

Always say: ﴾أَعُوذُ بِاللهِ مِن الشِّيَطَانِ الزَّجَيم﴿

"A’oothu billahi mina-Shaytan-ir-Rajeem"

whenever Shaytan tells you to do something wrong, or when you feel like being bad.

This means: “I ask Allah to protect me from the cursed Shaytan.”
Allah taught Adam the names of everything. Adam learned everything he needed to know.

One day Adam woke up from his sleep. He found a woman looking at him. Allah had created this woman from Adam's rib. She became Adam's wife. Some scholars say her name was Hawwaa', or Eve. The Qur'an and Prophet Muhammad ﷺ did not tell us what her name was.

Prophet Adam and his wife lived in Jannah, or Paradise. It was a beautiful place to live. There was a lot of food to eat and everything they needed.

Allah told Adam and his wife that they could eat anything they wanted. However, Allah ordered them NOT to eat from one fruit tree. Allah warned them that if they ate from that tree, they would lose Jannah. So Adam and his wife obeyed Allah and did not go near the tree.

Then one day, Shaytan came to Adam and his wife. He told them that they should eat from the tree. Shaytan told them that if they ate the fruit of that tree, they would become angels and live in Paradise forever!

Shaytan Lied!
Allah had given so many trees to eat from, but they believed Shaytan. They ate some fruit from the forbidden tree. They disobeyed Allah.

Do you think they became angels?
Do you think they lived forever?

Did they stay in Paradise?

NO

Adam and his wife did NOT become angels. They did NOT live forever, and they did NOT stay in Paradise! Shaytan had tricked them! Allah told Adam and his wife that they had done something very wrong. They felt bad for disobeying Allah. They asked Allah to forgive them and be merciful.
Say: أُسْتَفْرِعُ اللَّهِ

"Astaghfirullah"

This means: “I ask Allah to forgive me.”
Ask Allah for forgiveness after every prayer and whenever you can.

Allah is Al-Ghaffar & Al-Ghafoor

الغفار، الغفور

The All-Forgiving

Allah forgave Adam and his wife and sent them down to Earth.
Adam and his wife learned their lesson. Allah forgave them because they were sincere. They were truly sorry that they had disobeyed Allah and listened to Shaytan.

Allah sent them to Earth, far away from the easy life of Paradise. On Earth, Adam and his wife had to work hard. They had to look for food and protect themselves, with clothes and weapons.

They missed Paradise!

Allah made Adam the first prophet on Earth. Adam and his wife had children. They taught their children to obey Allah and worship Him.

They taught them to be good people so they would please Allah and go back to Jannah. Their children had children. Some of them were good and obeyed Allah. Many others listened to Shaytan and became bad.

Allah forgave Adam and his wife because they were sincere. They really felt truly sorry that they had disobeyed Allah. Allah made Adam the first prophet on Earth.
Keep a log for one week. Each day write three good things that you did to please Allah, just like Adam and his wife. This way we can practice doing everything for Allah. We should remember Him all the time. The more we remember Allah, the fewer mistakes we make!

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CHAPTER REVIEW

Healthy Habit
Always remember that Shaytan is your enemy. Always obey Allah and disobey Shaytan.

SHAYTAN IS MY ENEMY
Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

Study

Questions

1. What is the name of the first human Allah made? Was he a prophet?
2. Who disobeyed Allah when He told the angels to bow to Adam? What was his punishment?
3. What does Shaytan try to do to you?
4. What should you say if you do something bad? Why?
5. Who should you remember always? Why?
6. What are the names of Allah that mean He forgives all of our mistakes?
The Sons of Adam

1. Did Prophet Adam have children?
2. Did Prophet Adam's children obey Allah?
3. Do you know the names of Adam's children?

As you learned earlier, Allah sent Prophet Adam to live on Earth with his wife. They began a new family. They had Habeel, Qabeel and some other children later. Qayn is another name for Qabeel.

When Habeel and Qabeel grew up, Allah ordered Habeel to marry one girl and Qabeel to marry another. Habeel obeyed Allah, but Qabeel did not. He wanted to marry the girl that Allah had chosen for his brother. This was a problem! Both brothers could not marry the same girl!
Allah then told the two brothers to make a qurban (sacrifice) for Him. Qurban is something we give away for the sake of Allah. Habeel was a very good person. He loved Allah, and always thought of Allah first. So he worked hard to offer Allah the best sacrifice he could find.

Qabeel was not as good as Habeel. He did not care much about pleasing Allah. He was selfish and thought of pleasing himself first. He brought a very small and cheap qurban. Allah accepted Habeel’s sacrifice and rejected Qabeel’s.

Qabeel became very jealous of his brother Habeel. Shaytân even made him think of killing Habeel, so that he could marry the girl he liked. Qabeel told Habeel that he would kill him. Habeel was stronger than Qabeel, but he said, “If you do that, you will displease Allah, and you will lose. I will never kill you, because you are my brother.”
We should never get jealous of our Muslim brothers or sisters.

The Prophet ﷺ said, “None of you truly believes until he loves for his brother what he loves for himself.”

Remember, when we get angry or jealous, we become weak. It is easy for Shaytan to make us do bad things.
The first crime on Earth...

Qabeel was on the wrong path. **He listened to Shaytan and killed his brother!** This was the first crime on Earth, and Qabeel was responsible for it.

Shaytan was leading Qabeel to the hellfire! He was a bad example for other people.

**healthy habit**

Always be a good example so that others can learn good things from you.
Qabeel felt bad that he had killed his brother. He did not know what to do. He looked around and saw a bird burying a dead bird. Allah had sent the bird to teach Qabeel how to bury his brother.

Habeel was a hero. He was a good man, even though his brother was mean to him.

He had taqwa, and he pleased Allah. This means that he always obeyed Allah and feared His punishment. Habeel always tried to do the right thing.

Later on, Allah blessed Prophet Adam with another son named Shayth, or Seth. He grew up as a very obedient and pious Man. Allah made him a Prophet as Prophet Muhammad said once. The Prophet said that Shayth received fifty holy messages from Allah.
1. Act out a play with your friends about Habeel and Qabeel.

2. Write a short paragraph about what you would have done if you were in Qabeel's place.

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**study questions**

1. What were the names of Adam's sons?
2. Which son was good?
3. Which son was bad? How was he bad?
4. What made it easy for Shaytan to make Qabeel bad?
5. How should Muslims feel if something good happens to someone else?
6. Who was Prophet Adam third son? Was he a Prophet?
I Trust Allah:
The Story of Prophet Nuh

1. Whom do you trust the most?
2. What would you say if you saw someone building a ship away from the sea?
3. What did Allah command Prophet Nuh to build? Why?
4. What did Prophet Nuh bring with him on the ark? How many of each?
5. Did people listen to Allah’s command and go with Prophet Nuh on the ark?

Many, many years passed after Prophet Adam left Paradise. Adam’s children had children, and their children had children. The number of people on the Earth grew and grew. Soon, there were a lot of people all over the Earth!
More and more time passed, and people started to forget what Prophet **Adam** had taught. People all around the world found many ways to be bad—too many.

People even forgot to worship the only One True God!

Some people prayed to idols that they made!

Others killed their neighbors and relatives.

Some ate and drank bad food and even dead animals.

Allah was not happy with this. God knew that people on Earth needed a prophet to help them. Allah wanted His people to be good again. God chose **Nuh** to be the next prophet of Islam.
Prophet Nuh did what Allah told him to do. He traveled from town to town talking to people. He told them to worship Allah alone. He also told them to stop doing bad things.

Prophet Nuh told the people that they could not worship idols. He warned them that if they did not stop their bad deeds, Allah would punish them.

Warning!

Prophet Nuh taught his people to worship only their creator: the one God. He also taught them to do the right thing for 950 years, but only a few people listened! Most of them did not obey this great prophet. Allah finally told Prophet Nuh that bad people must be punished.

They were going to drown in a great flood.

The only people who would be safe were the people who believed in Allah and obeyed His prophet. God told Prophet Nuh to build an ark. An **ark** is a BIG boat.
People laughed at Prophet Nuh عليه السلام while he built his ark. They could not understand why he was building the ark. There was no ocean or river near their land. They also did not expect heavy rain to fall at that time. Prophet Nuh told them that they would not be laughing much longer.
Prophet Nuh took one pair of each animal that lived, a male and female. He put all of the animals on the ark, from the BIGGEST elephant to the smallest ant. Allah helped him do that.

One day, the people heard a scary noise in the sky. It was loud thunder. They also saw very bright lightning that got brighter and brighter. Seconds later, heavy rain started to fall. Springs began to rise up under people's feet.
Prophet Nuh عليه السلام and all the good people got on the ark. Prophet Nuh’s wife and son Yam did not get on the ark! They did not obey Prophet Nuh. Nuh’s son thought that he would be safe if he climbed on the highest mountain. Yam climbed, and he was sure that the water would not reach him there.

Prophet Nuh called his son, “Come on the ark, or you will drown.” But his son did not believe in Allah and disobeyed his father. He stayed at the top of the mountain where he thought he would be safe. Prophet Nuh knew that his son would drown. Only the people on the ark would be safe. Allah had told Nuh the truth.
After many days and nights, Allah ordered the skies to stop their rain.

Allah commanded the Earth to swallow the water. The ark stopped floating and rested on a mountain called Judy. Prophet Nuh and the believers were saved. All of the bad people were gone. Allah had kept His promise.
نساء الإله أعلاه

والعديد ضبحاً فأمرت فقتاً فأغمرت صحبًا فأفل ناقة
فوسط به جمعًا ٦ وإن الإنسان لرفيق، لكونه ١ وأيده على ذلك الشهيد ٧ وإنما لحب الخير لنبيه ٨ وأيضاً إذا بنار بما في القبر ١ وحيل ما في الصدور ١٠ وإن رحم بين يديه لحسن١١

TRANSLITERATION

[1] Wal’aadiyati dabha
[4] Fa’atharna bihi naq’a
[5] Fawasatna bihi jam’a
[6] Inn-al-insana lirabbiti lakanood
[7] Wa’innahu ‘ala thalika lashaheed
[8] Wa’innahu lihubb-il-khayri lashadeed
[9] Afala ya’lamu itha bu’thira ma fil-quboor
[10] Wahussila ma fissudoor
[11] Inna rabbahum bihim yawma’ithil lakhebeer
[1] By the running horses that, with panting (breath),
[2] that are sparking fire [when running on rocks],
[3] And they are raiding in the morning,
[4] And raising the dust,
[5] Then they run into the midst of people
[6] Truly man is ungrateful to his Lord;
[7] And he admits that;
[8] And he loves wealth very much.
[9] Doesn’t he know- that when graves are scattered around
[10] And when all secrets of hearts become known
[11] That their Lord is then aware of everything they did?

Listen to the recitation of this sura, recite it and memorize it.
ACTIVITY time

Draw some of the animals that you think were on Prophet Nuh's ark.

study questions

1. Who was Nuh?

2. What did Allah command him to do? Why?

3. How did Earth change at that time?

1. Can we pray to the sun, the moon, or statues?
2. Who should we worship and pray to?
3. Why can we only worship and pray to Allah?

word

watch

الله الخالق
Allah is my Creator
"Qul inna salati wa nusuki wa mahyaya wa mamati lillahi rabbil Alameen."

"Say indeed my prayer, my worship, my living, and my dying are all for Allah, Lord of the Worlds."

Listen to the recitation of this ayah, recite it and memorize it.

Bilal: Dad, can you tell me a story?

Father: Ok, I know a good story about Prophet Ibraheem.

Ibraheem lived in Ur, a small town in Iraq. The people of Ur worshipped stones and statues.
Ibraheem did not like that at all. He knew that these idols could not speak, hear, or see. They could not do any good or any harm. They could not feed the hungry or help the sick.

Ibraheem’s father, Azar, was an idol maker. One day Ibraheem asked his father, “Why do you worship these stones that you have made, Father?”

Azar became angry and did not give a good answer.

One day, Ibraheem went to the idols when the people were away. He talked to them, but they could not talk back to him! So Ibraheem smashed one idol with his axe.
Of course the other statues could not do anything. Then Ibraheem broke all the idols except the biggest one.

Ibraheem left the place. Later, the people came and saw all their idols broken. They were so angry!

They came to Ibraheem and asked, “Who has done this to our gods?”

“Ask the big one, he may know,” answered Ibraheem.

The people knew that the idol could not answer them. They knew that Ibraheem had done it!
They wanted to kill him.

The people were so angry that they wanted to kill Ibraheem!

They started a great fire and threw Ibraheem in it. They thought that Ibraheem would die, but he didn’t.

Allah ordered the fire to be cool and safe for Ibraheem. Even the fire is obedient to Allah. It only burns when Allah commands it to burn. Allah saved Ibraheem, and he came out of the fire alive and safe.

Bilal: Allahu Akbar! I love Prophet Ibraheem! He is my hero!
Iraq is a Muslim land in Asia.

It has two long rivers called the Tigris and the Euphrates.

Iraq has about ninety million palm trees.

The capital of Iraq is Baghdad.

Twenty five million people live in Iraq, and most of them are Muslims.

Iraq is a beautiful country.
1. Open an Atlas to the map of Iraq and try to draw it.

**study questions**

1. Where was Prophet Ibraheem born?
2. What did his family worship?
3. What did Ibraheem do to the idols? Why?
4. What did the people do to Ibraheem?
5. How did Allah save Ibraheem?
Taqwa: Allah Sees Me All The Time

Questions?

1. If you are alone in your room, is there anyone who can see you?
2. Who can see and hear you all the time?

Word Watch

Taqwa
Al-Aleem
Al-Khabeer
Al-Baseer

In Al-Qur'an, Allah said that Luqman, the wise man told his son:

"O my son, indeed if it would be the weight of a mustard seed and should be in a rock or anywhere in the Heavens or on the Earth, Allah will bring it forth. Indeed Allah is knowledgable."

Surat Luqman 16
Allah knows where everything is. Just like this ayah says, if a small, tiny seed is inside a rock, on the Earth, or in the Heavens, Allah knows about it.

Allah can see a tiny ant moving fast on a black rock.

Think about it!

When you are by yourself with no one around, do you think you are alone?

When you see two or three people talking, do you think they are alone?

If you answered "NO," you are "CORRECT."
When a person is by himself, Allah is watching him. When two people are talking, Allah is watching them. He is the third. When three people are talking, Allah is watching them. He is the fourth. When you whisper to your friend and you think no one else can hear you, Allah can.

Allah says:

"Allah has full knowledge of all things." 58:7

Allah knows what you are going to say before you say it. Allah knows what you do even when you think no one can see you.

Allah is Al-Aleem, All-Knowing
Allah is Al-Baseer, All-Seeing
Allah is Al-Khabeer, All-Aware
Taqwa is Great

Khalid and Amir were good friends. They were walking home from school one day. They were passing through a garden when they saw a big apple tree. There were so many fresh apples hanging from the tree.

Without thinking, Amir started climbing on the tree to pick some apples. He asked his friend Khalid to watch for anyone around. As soon as Amir started climbing, Khalid yelled, "Come down Amir, somebody can see you." Amir replied, "Where? I don't see anyone." Then Amir climbed the tree again. Khalid yelled again, "Somebody can see you!" When Amir finally came down, he asked Khalid, "What do you mean somebody can see me? I don't see anyone. Do you?"
Khalid was being a good friend. He reminded Amir by saying, "Someone can see you. Allah ﷺ can see you. And we should do the right thing, whether we are alone or with others."

This is Taqwa

Amir nodded his head and regretted what he did. He realized that he should have not taken something that did not belong to him.

Amir looked at his friend and said, "JazakAllahu Khayran Khalid." Khalid smiled and said, "That's what friends are for." As the two friends were leaving the garden, the owner came out and yelled, "Would you like to have some apples, boys?" Khalid said: "SubhanAllah, taqwa is good. It gives you good rewards, and apples too!"

WORDS OF WISDOM
Holy Qur'an

سورۃ التوبة
Surat-ut-Tawba: Ayah 4

{لا إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَ الرَّحْمَةَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُتَّقِينَ

TRANSLITERATION
InnAllaha yuhibb-ul-muttaqeen

TRANSLATION
Allah truly loves Al-Muttaqeen (People who practice Taqwa)
Nowhere to Hide

Let us read another story together:

One day, Zaid’s grandfather was visiting Zaid’s family. Bilal was at Zaid’s home too. Grandfather called all the children. He wanted to teach the children a lesson about the power of Allah. All the children hurried to him: Zaid, Leena and Bilal.

Grandfather gave each one of them a cupcake that their grandmother had made. The grandfather asked the children to eat the cupcakes in a place where no one could see them. “Each one of you find a place where no one can see you, and eat your cupcake there,” Grandfather said. Leena went inside her room, said “Bismillah,” and ate her cupcake.
Bilal went out to the garden and climbed up to the tree house where he was by himself. He said "Bismillah," and ate his cupcake.

At the same time, Zaid was still looking for a place to be alone.

Finally, he went back to his grandfather and said, "Grandfather, everywhere I went, I was not alone. I knew Allah was watching over me and protecting me. So I am never alone."

Grandfather Mahmoud called Leena and Bilal, and told them what Zaid said.

The three children learned an important lesson.

No matter where we go, Allah is always with us, watching us and protecting us.
We should always do what is right, because Allah knows all secrets.

What is Taqwa?

Once somebody asked Omar ibn-ul-Khattab: What is taqwa?

He said: Did you ever walk through a land with many thorny bushes?

The Man answered: Yes.
Omar: What did you do?

Man: I tried my best not to touch the thorns, so they would not poke me.

Omar: This is taqwa: you try your best not to sin, because sins displease Allah and hurt you.
A Poem

In a far, far away place,
In a desert, with nothing but open space,
You see nobody under the hot sun.
Do not forget, you are watched by the One.
ALLAH!

CHAPTER REVIEW

study

questions

1. What is taqwa?
2. Why is taqwa good for you?
3. Who sees and hears you all the time?
4. Why did Khalid tell Amir not to pick apples from the tree in the garden? What happened when they were leaving?
5. What did Zaid's grandfather tell the kids to do? Why?
6. What happened at the end?
7. Write three lessons you have learned from the stories in this chapter.
Amm-ul-Feel: The Year of the Elephant

1. What does the Arabic word “feel” mean in English?
2. Where is Al-Ka‘bah?

Yemen is a country that is south of old Arabia, or Saudi Arabia now.

A long time ago, the ruler of Yemen was a bad man named Abraha.
Point to Makkah and Yemen on the map of Saudi Arabia.

The holy Ka‘bah is in Makkah in Arabia. Makkah is a very special place. It was built by prophets Ibraheem and Isma’eeel a very long time ago. Allah told them to build it. Al-Ka‘bah was the first house of worship built on Earth. People in Arabia honored Al-Ka‘bah and visited Makkah very often.
Abraha was very jealous that the people loved Al-Ka’bah and Makkah so much. People did not come to visit his own country, Yemen. He decided to build a big church in Yemen for everybody to visit.

Abraha wanted people to love his church as much as Al-Ka’bah, or even more. He even asked people to stop visiting Al-Ka’bah and come to his church instead. The Arabs did not listen, and kept on visiting Al-Ka’bah. This made Abraha very mad. Some Arabs were in Abraha’s church one day and ruined a part of it. This made Abraha very angry. He decided to destroy Al-Ka’bah once and for all!
Abraha gathered a **HUGE** army and went to Makkah. He also took some **HUGE** elephants to help him destroy Al-Ka’bah.

He stopped just outside of Makkah and sent some of his soldiers to see what was around. On their way, they captured the camels and herds of the people of Makkah. This would make it hard for the people of Makkah to fight Abraha. Many of the camels belonged to **Abdul-Muttalib**, the leader of Makkah.

**Abdul-Muttalib** went with some of his sons to see Abraha. Abraha thought that Abdul-Muttalib was going to ask him not to destroy Al-Ka’bah. Instead he asked Abraha to return his camels. Abraha asked Abdul-Muttalib why he was worrying about his camels and not about Al-Ka’bah.
Abdul-Mutallib told Abraha:
“I am the owner of the camels, so I protect them, while Al-Ka’bah has a Lord who will protect it.”

Abdul Muttalib meant that Allah would look after the Al-Ka’bah.

Abraha did not believe this, and he shook his head and said:
“No one can stop me from destroying Al-Ka’bah!”

Abdul-Mutallib had iman, or faith, that Allah would protect Al-Ka’bah. He ordered the people to leave Makkah and go to the hills for safety. He then prayed to Allah to protect them and Al-Ka’bah from any harm.

The next morning, Abraha marched to Al-Ka’bah. He wanted to attack it with all of his elephants. Abraha had trained the lead elephant to obey orders like...

Sit! Go Forward! Turn around!
Abraha ordered the elephants to destroy Al-Ka’bah, but whenever they were told to go to Al-Ka’bah, they would run away from it. The elephants refused to destroy Al-Ka’bah because they were obeying the commands of Allah, not Abraha!

Then all of a sudden, a flock of birds appeared in the sky. They were holding stones in their claws and beaks.

By the command of Allah, each bird dropped the stones onto Abraha and his army, causing a shower of stones.

These stones hit Abraha and his army, hurting them very badly. Abraha and his army were all destroyed. Allah stopped Abraha from destroying Al-Ka’bah. Abdul-Muttalib had trusted Allah, and his prayer was answered.

ACTIVITY time

Make a model of Al-Ka’bah
Allah saved His house, Al-Ka’bah.
He destroyed Abraha and his army.
[1] Didn’t you know how your Lord dealt with the people of the elephant?
[2] Didn’t He ruin their evil plan?
[3] And He sent against them birds in flocks,
[4] Striking them with stones of hard clay,
**ACTIVITY**

1. Draw an elephant near Al-Ka’bah.

2. Make a play about Abdul-Muttalib and Abraha.

**Study**

**Questions**

1. Why did Abraha want to destroy Al-Ka’bah?

2. Who is Abdul-Muttalib? What made him tell the people of Makkah to leave?

3. Why was Abdul-Muttalib not worried about Al-Ka’bah?

4. What happened when Abraha told the elephant to destroy Al-Ka’bah?

5. How did Allah protect Al-Ka’bah?
UNIT B
CHAPTER 2

Muhammad: The Praised Child

questions?

1. When was Prophet Muhammad ﷺ born?
2. Who were the parents of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
3. Where was the Prophet ﷺ sent as a young baby, and why?
4. Who took care of him there?

word

watch

Yathrib
Seerah
Aminah
Haleemah

One day, in Zaid’s Islamic studies class. Teacher Hibah began telling a story. Zaid listened very carefully. It was a story about a great young boy who went through very sad times. It sounded like a very interesting and special story.
Teacher Hibah: Class, do you remember when we talked about the Year of the Elephant and Al-Ka'bah?
Class: Yes we do, Teacher Hibah!
Teacher Hibah: The Year of the Elephant was the beginning of the life of someone we all love so much. His life is a very special story. It is called Seerah; the story of the life of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ !!!

healthy habit
Always listen carefully to what your teachers and elders tell you.
Teacher Hibah began the story:

Abdullah Marries Aminah

In the Year of the Elephant, there were two wonderful families living in Makkah. One was the Abdul-Muttalib family, and the other was the Wahb family. Abdullah was the son of Abdul-Muttalib, and he was the youngest and most loved son. Aminah was the daughter of Wahb, who was a kind man in Makkah. Aminah was a great and sweet young lady. Abdullah wanted Aminah to be his wife, because she and her family were so good and kind. Aminah and Abdullah got married that year.
Abdullah Dies

A few months later, Abdul-Muttalib sent his son Abdullah to buy some dates from Yathrib, a small town not very far north of Makkah. On his way back, Abdullah became very sick. Soon after that, Abdullah died. Aminah became very sad and missed her husband very much.
Muhammad is Born!

One night, Aminah dreamt that a great light came out of her, and *lightened up all of Arabia!!!* She also dreamt that a sweet voice was telling her, “You are bearing a great boy. When he is born, name him Muhammad.” A few months later, our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was born!

*Teacher Hibah:* As you see, Prophet Muhammad’s father died even before he was born. Isn’t that so sad for Aminah and Baby Muhammad ﷺ? We should be thankful to Allah that we have our parents!
1. Always thank Allah for giving you caring parents.

2. Obey your parents and always be kind and nice with them.

Baby Muhammad With Haleemah

When Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was a few months old, his family sent him to the desert to live with a nice lady named Haleemah.

Zaid: Why was he sent to the desert away from his family?

Teacher Hibah: Good question, Zaid. Babies of noble families in Makkah were sent to live their first years in the desert. There, they could breathe the clean and pure air, eat healthy food, and grow strong. Also, people who lived in the desert spoke beautiful Arabic, so these babies learned to speak good Arabic as they grew up.
Muhammad ﷺ brought Haleemah’s family many blessings. Haleemah took good care of him. She taught him to be a nice boy. Muhammad always kept himself nice and clean. Muhammad ﷺ was loved very much by Haleemah and her family. He also had many friends because he was so friendly and kind.

Teacher Hibah: See how nicely the Prophet acted, even when he was a small child? Allah was showing us how we should act, no matter how old we are.

Mona: I love Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, and I will try to be nice as he was!

Class: We will, also!!!
healthy habit

Always be nice and kind with your friends, so they will be nice and kind with you. Treat them like your brothers and sisters.

NASHEED

“MUHAMMAD IS BORN”
Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

study questions

1. What is the Seerah about?
2. Who was the father of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ? Who was his mother?
3. How did Allah let Aminah know that someone special would be coming into her life?
4. Why was the Prophet ﷺ sent to the desert as a small child?
5. What was the name of the kind woman who took care of Muhammad ﷺ in the desert?
6. Why was she so happy with Muhammad ﷺ?
The class gathered around Teacher Hibah again. They wanted to hear the next part of the beautiful story of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. They had waited all day to hear more of it.
Teacher Hibah: Let’s continue our wonderful story...

Muhammad in the Desert

For five happy years, Muhammad lived with Haleemah and her family in the desert. He grew up with Haleemah’s children, and they were always good to each other. They all loved each other very much.

Young Muhammad brought Haleemah’s family many blessings, because they took such good care of Muhammad. Allah gave them more food, more water, and the sheep gave more milk. Haleemah was very happy with Muhammad and took good care of him. She taught him to be a very good boy.
Muhammad Returns to Makkah

When he was six years old, Muhammad returned to his mother and grandfather in Makkah. Even though he was sad about leaving Haleemah and her family, young Muhammad was very excited to live with his mother and grandfather again.

Aminah Dies

Soon after Muhammad came to Makkah, Aminah wanted to take him to visit his father’s grave and his uncles near Yathrib. But Aminah became sick during the trip and died. Muhammad felt very sad and lonely. He was an orphan. He had lost his father and his mother, and he felt so alone.
Bilal: Mona is crying!
Teacher Hibah: Oh, Mona, my dear, why you are crying?
Mona: I lost my mother when I was a baby, too. It's hard to live without a mother.
Teacher Hibah hugged Mona. She said: I am sorry for you, Mona. Your father is there for you, and the class will take care of you.
Mona: All the other kids here are lucky to have their mothers alive.
Zaid: I am so sad for you Mona. I never knew how hard it is to lose a father or a mother. When I go back home today, I will hug my dad and mom and pray to God to keep them safe for me.
Class: We will all do that.
Teacher Hibah: I am proud of you, children. As good Muslim kids, you should also be kind, nice, and obedient to them.
healthy habit

Thank Allah for your parents, and always be nice to them.

The Prophet’s grandfather, Abdul-Muttalib understood how sad and hurt young Muhammad felt, and he took good care of him. Abdul-Muttalib cared very much for his grandson. He knew that Muhammad would grow up to be a very special person, and he treated Muhammad in a very nice way.
Abdul-Muttalib loved Muhammad ﷺ so much that he even let Muhammad sit on his mat. None of Abdul-Muttalib’s own children were allowed to sit on his mattress, only around it. But the Prophet’s grandfather insisted that Muhammad sit right next to him on his mattress.

Allah is Al-Mughni المُغْنِي

All-giving

The one who gives to the poor and the needy until they are satisfied. The one who feeds and takes care of all His creatures.
Abdul-Muttalib Dies, Too

The Prophet made his grandfather proud of him, because he was a very polite boy. However, Abdul-Muttalib was getting old, and he died when Muhammad was eight years old. Now Muhammad had also lost his grandfather.

**Zaid:** This is a very sad story; I did not know that Prophet Muhammad went through so many problems when he was a child.

**Bilal:** What happened next teacher?

**Teacher Hibah:** Prophet Muhammad was so sad about losing his grandfather, but Allah helped him through all his troubles. InshaAllah I will continue this story next time. Right now, just imagine how you would feel if this happened to you, and be thankful that Allah has given you so much.

**Activity Time**

If you can, visit with an orphan child along with a group of your friends. Have an adult go with you.
سورة الضحى
Surat-ul-Duha - 93

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

والصدّيق 1 وَالنَّبِيُّ إِذَا سُجِّيَ 2 مَا رَدَّعُ رَبُّكَ وَمَا قَلِيَّ 3 وَاللَّهُ مَّنْ خَرَجَ لَكَ مِنَ 4 الأوليٍّ 5 وَلَسْوَتُ بَعْضُكُم بَعْضَ 6 أَلَمْ يَعْدَلَ اللَّهُ بِمَا فِي 7 الْأَرْضِ وَأَلْمَائِكَ 8 وَجِدْنَاهُم مُّتَبَحِّثِينَ 9 فَأَلْقَاهُ 10 فَأَلْقُ 11 فَأَلْقَاهُ فَأَلْقُ 11

أَلْقِ الٍْسَّيْلَ فَلَنْ نَنْهَرَ 10 وَأَلْقِ الْنَّبِرَةَ 11 وَأَلْقِ الْبَلَّةَ 11

TRANSLITERATION

[1] Wadduha
[3] Ma wadda'aka rabbuka wama qala
[6] Alam yajidka yateeman faawa
[9] Fa’ammal-yateema fala taqhar
[10] Wa’ammassa-ila fala tanhar
[1] By the bright morning
[2] And [by] the night when it covers [the world] with darkness
[3] Your Lord has not left you alone,
[4] And the Hereafter is better for you than the first [life].
[5] And your Lord is going to give to you, and you will be happy.
[6] Didn’t He find you an orphan and give you a home?
[7] And He found you lost, then He guided [you].
[9] So do not hurt the orphan.
[10] And do not yell at the poor person.

Listen to the recitation of this sura, recite it and memorize it.

healthy habit

When a Muslim goes through tough times and loses a parent or a family member, he or she should be patient, accept Allah’s will, and say:

"إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ"

"Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji’oon"

This means: “We belong to Allah and to Him we return.”
ACTIVITY

Time

Write down some of the good things that Allah has given you, and say “Alhamdulillah” for them all the time.

Study

Questions

1. At what age did Prophet Muhammad lose his mother?
2. What does it mean to be an orphan?
3. How should a Muslim treat an orphan, as we learn from Surat-ad-Duha?
4. Who was the grandfather of Prophet Muhammad?
5. How old was Muhammad when his grandfather died?
6. How did Muhammad act during his painful time?
Zaid was very excited. The Seerah stories were more interesting every day! He wanted to find out even more. The Prophet ﷺ had always taught Muslims to love learning, and Mama also taught Zaid to do so. His classmates were just as excited, and today, they were sitting around Teacher Hibah's chair even before she got there!
Teacher Hibah walked in **and said:** Assalamu alaykum, children. Are you ready to continue our special story?

**Class:** Waalaykum Assalaam, dear teacher!!! Yes, yes, yes! We can’t wait!

**Teacher Hibah laughed:** Let’s get started, then. We left off where Abu-Talib was taking care of the Prophet as he was growing up. We know he taught the Prophet many good things. He also took him on a business trip to Syria.

Let’s find out more about our beloved Prophet’s life...

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**Muhammad Becomes a Merchant**

As Muhammad ﷺ became a young man, people loved him more and more. They started to call him As-Sadiq Al-Ameen, the Truthful, the Trusted. He was kind and honest in everything that he did.

When he was twenty-five, Muhammad ﷺ became a merchant. He sold goods with honesty.
Muhammad Solves a Problem

When the Prophet ‭ﷺ‬ was thirty-five, the people of the Quraysh tribe wanted to rebuild Al-Ka’bah. It had almost been ruined in a great flood. When they wanted to place Al-Hajar Al-Aswad, the Black Stone, in the right corner, fights broke out between the chiefs. They all wanted the honor of placing this holy stone in the right place. They began to fight for this job. Our dear Prophet ‭ﷺ‬ was the one who solved this problem.

Now Zaid was curious.

Zaid: Teacher, how did they all agree to listen to Prophet Muhammad ‭ﷺ‬ if they were fighting so much?
Teacher Hibah: Good question, Zaid. The oldest of the chiefs came up with a good idea. He proposed that the first one to enter the courtyard would decide who would place the holy Black Stone.

Allah ﷻ made it so that Muhammad ﷺ would enter the masjid first. When he entered, everyone was happy that Muhammad ﷺ, was to make the decision! He was As-Sadiq Al-Ameen, so they would trust what he said.

The Prophet ﷺ made the chiefs lay down a cloth next to the black stone, together. Then, he put the stone in the middle of the cloth. The chiefs lifted the cloth up together with the stone in the middle. The Prophet ﷺ was the one who put the stone in its place after it had been raised. With his solution, Muhammad ﷺ saved everyone from a very scary problem. They were all happy because they all helped put Al-Hajar Al-Aswad in the right place.
Teacher Hibah: See how wise our dear Prophet was? He was smart and came up with a very fair way to solve the problem.

Zaid: The Prophet was so smart, teacher! I wish I could help people like he did!

Class: We do too!

Teacher Hibah: He could do that because he was honest and trustworthy. That is why people listened to him. Children, try your best to be like the Prophet, to think and act like him. This is why it is so important for us to learn the Seerah!

Bilal: Thank you so much for teaching us this beautiful story, teacher.

Class: JazakAllahu Khayran, Teacher Hibah!

Teacher Hibah: Wa’iyyakum inshaAllah.
سورة الشرح
Surat-ul-Sharh -94

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

لا أر ذكرى لك صدرك ۱ ووضعنا علبك وزرك ۲ الذي أقتل ظهرك ۳ ورفعنا لك ذكرى ۴ فإن مع الصبر يسر ۵ وإن مع الصبر يسر ۶ فإذا فرغت فأنصب ۷ وليك فارغب ۸

TRANSLITERATION

[1] Alam nashrah laka sadrak
[5] Fa’-inna ma’-al’usri yusra
[6] Inna ma’a al’usri yusra
[7] Fa’itha faraghta fansab
[8] Wa-il arabbika farghab
[1] Didn’t we clear your heart,
[2] And take away your burden,
[3] Which almost did break your back?
[4] And We praised you [in Earth and the Heavens].
[5] So, with every difficulty, there is a relief:
[6] Truly, with every difficulty, there is a relief.
[7] Therefore, when you are done with a good work, work hard on another one.
[8] And turn in love to your Lord.

Listen to the recitation of this sura, recite it and memorize it.

healthy
habit

1. Be fair and honest, so people will trust you.
2. Try always to solve problems between others.
Role play how the Prophet solved the problem the chiefs of Quraysh had over Al-Hajar Al-Aswad.

“AS-SADEQ AL-AMIN”
Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

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**study**

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questions

1. How was Al-Ka’bah ruined?
2. What was the big problem they were fighting over?
3. Who came up with the solution to the problem of the Black Stone?
4. How did the chiefs of Quraysh choose Prophet Muhammad to solve their problem?
5. What did Muhammad do to solve the problem?
The Happy Marriage

questions?

1. Who was Muhammad’s first wife?
2. How did she meet him?
3. How did Muhammad feel about his wife?
4. How did they treat each other?
5. What do you know about their family?

word

It was time for Seerah stories again! The children were always excited about hearing more wonderful stories about Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Teacher Hibah began right away.
Teacher Hibah: We learned last time that when Muhammad was a grown man, he worked as a merchant. He was buying and selling goods. Muhammad was known for being honest ever since he was a child. He never cheated or lied to any person he worked with.

Muhammad always had wonderful manners. He gave all people love and respect. He treated everyone like they were his favorite person! This is why everyone loved Muhammad.

Always treat every person you meet with great respect and love. Even if you don’t like someone very much, you should still treat them with care and patience.
Teacher Hibah: Remember that Muhammad ﷺ went to work for a lady named Khadeejah رضي الله عنها?

We should say “Radi’Allahu ‘Anha” عليه السلام whenever we hear or say Khadeejah’s name. This means “May Allah be pleased with her.”

Khadeejah was a very noble lady. She came from a very good family, and she acted in a very nice way. She had been married once, but her husband had passed away. Khadeejah was also a very hard worker.

Hard work pays off. Khadeejah was very successful and rich. Allah helps hard-workers.

Khadeejah had very great manners and character. Many men wanted to marry her. She did not want to marry any of these men. She wanted someone special.
Muslim girls and ladies should use Khadeejah رضي الله عنها as one of their role models. They should learn from the way she acted and from the way she lived.

Khadeejah asked Muhammad ﷺ to go to Syria on a business trip. When he came back, she was surprised. He made so much money for her! Allah had given her great blessings. Muhammad ﷺ had done a great job!

Khadeejah knew that Muhammad ﷺ was a very gentle man. He was more honest and truthful than her other working partners. Muhammad ﷺ also respected Khadeejah very much. Khadeejah liked Muhammad and wished to marry him. She sent a friend to talk to his family, and Muhammad agreed to marry her. Later they got married, and loved each other very much.

**Teacher Hibah:** Muhammad ﷺ was younger than his wife. He was only 25 when they were married, and she was 40!

Khadeejah and Muhammad ﷺ were always nice to each other. They helped each other out through hard times. Muhammad respected his wife, and she respected him.

**Teacher Hibah:** How can we tell if someone respects someone else?
**Mona:** Respecting means being kind, gentle, and patient with others! It also means listening and paying attention!

**Teacher Hibah:** Correct!
Bilal raised his hand.

**Bilal:** Teacher, did they have kids?
**Teacher Hibah:** Yes, Bilal.

Together, Khadeejah and Muhammad ﷺ had four daughters and two sons;

The sad thing is that all of them died during the Prophet’s ﷺ lifetime, except for Fatimah. Alhamdulillah they were all Muslim!
Muhammad ✈️ and Khadeejah were wonderful parents. They loved their children very much. Even as parents, they worked as a team.

**Bilal:** Thank you so much for teaching us this beautiful story, teacher.

**Class:** JazakAllahu Khayran, Teacher Hibah!

**Teacher Hibah:** Wa Iyyakum, my dears.

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**NASHEED**

"GREAT LADY KHADEEJAH"

Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

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**study**

**questions**

1. How did Muhammad ✈️ treat everyone?
2. Describe the great manners of Khadeejah رضي الله عنها?
3. Why did Khadeejah choose to marry Muhammad ✈️?
4. How did they show respect for each other?
5. How many children did Muhammad and Khadeejah have? What are their names?
Prophet Muhammad ﷺ loved children just like you very much. He played and laughed with them. They even rode on his back!
The Prophet and His Cousins

Once, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was playing with his young cousins, the sons of his uncle Al-Abbas. He let them race toward him. He said, “Whoever wins will get a prize.” The three children ran to him, falling on his back and lap. The Prophet ﷺ hugged and kissed them.

Al-Hasan and Al-Hussain

When the Prophet’s ﷺ grandchildren, Al-Hasan and Al-Hussayn, were little boys, he would play with them and let them climb on his back. He would joke with them and say, “You are riding a good camel!”
Once the Prophet ﷺ was praying. While he was making sujood, Al-Hasan and Al-Hussayn climbed on his back. The Sahabah (friends of the Prophet ﷺ) were worried about him, because his sujood was taking very long. When he finished his prayer, the Sahabah asked him why he had taken such a long time making sujood.

The Prophet ﷺ answered, “I didn’t want to interrupt their playing.”

Once a companion asked the Prophet ﷺ if he loved Al-Hasan and Al-Hussayn. The Prophet ﷺ said, “How can I not love them? They are my two roses from this world.”
Omair and Nughair

Once in Madinah, there was a boy named Omair who had a pet bird. The Prophet saw Omair playing with the bird, and called it "Nughair" to rhyme with the boy’s name. Every time the Prophet saw Omair he said “Omair, how is Nughair?” Omair would answer, “He is fine.”

One day, the Prophet saw Omair crying. He asked him why. Omair said, “My bird Nughair has died.” The Prophet sat with Omair for a while, comforted him, and played with him.
Zaid: Dad, I love Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, and did you know he loved kids like me?
Baba: Yes, Zaid, I love him too, but how can you show that you really love him?
Zaid: I don’t know! Can you tell me, Baba?
Baba: You should follow his manners and Sunnah.
Zaid: Can you give some examples?
Baba: Sure! You must obey Allah, pray on time, be honest, respect your parents and elders, be kind to your friends, greet others and smile at them, and help the needy.
Zaid: I will do all these things inshaAllah, so I can do the things the Prophet ﷺ did.
Baba: There are so many more things. Start with these, and I will tell you about other manners later.
Zaid: Jazak-Allahu Khayran, Dad!
Baba: Wa Iyyak, Zaid.

How can you show that you really love Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?

- Obey Allah
- Pray On Time
- Respect Your Parents
- Help The Needy
- Smile At Others
- Be Kind To Friends
Whenever you hear the Prophet’s name, Say:
صلى الله على محمد

or
صلى الله عليه وسلم

“Salla-llahu Ala Muhammad”
or “Salla-llahu Alayhi Wa Sallam.”
It means: “O Allah, bless Muhammad”

Say it 10 times in the morning, 10 times before you sleep, and whenever you can. This shows that you love the Prophet, and he will love you even more!

Say this poem out loud with your class!

O dear Muhammad

O dear Muhammad, we love you
You taught us Hadeeth, and Qu’ran too.
We hope Al-Waseelah is your place,
And to see you in Jannah, face to face.
You were kind so we could see
How a good Muslim should be!
Words of Wisdom
Hadeeth Shareef

حديث شريف
Narrated By Ahmed

عن عمر رضي الله عنه قال رسول الله ﷺ: لا يؤمن أحدكم حتى أكون أحبب إليه من نفسه رواه أحمد

Transliteration
"La yo’minu ahadukum hatta akoona ahabba ilayhi min nafsih."

Translation
Omar رضي الله عنه reported that the Prophet ﷺ said, “You will not be a complete believer until you love me more than yourself.”

"WE LOVE MUHAMMAD"
Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

Study

Questions

1. How did Muhammad ﷺ have fun with children?

2. What did the Prophet ﷺ do when his grandsons jumped on his back while he was praying?

3. What did Muhammad ﷺ do when Nughair died?

4. How can you show your love for the Prophet ﷺ?

5. What should you do when you hear Muhammad’s name?
UNIT C

BORN TO WORSHIP

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UNIT C
CHAPTER 1
Zaid Learns
How To Do Wudoo'

Questions?
1. What should you do before prayer?
2. What is wudoo’?

Word
Wudoo': Ablution
Niyah: Intention

Watch
O you who have believed, when you rise to perform prayer, wash your faces and your forearms to the elbows, and wipe over your heads, and wash your feet to the ankles.

Abu Hurayrah narrated that the Prophet said, “Allah will not accept your prayer if you use the bathroom unless you make wudoo’.”

Reported by Al-Bukhari and Muslim.
Zaid is a second grader. He loves to come to school and learn new things everyday. During Islamic studies class, the teacher wanted to review wudoo'. She said that this week their lesson will be about how to make wudoo'. "What is wudoo'?" asked Zaid. "Wudoo' is washing some parts of the body (hands, face and feet, among others) to get ready for prayer," said the teacher.

At the end of class, the teacher gave the students an assignment. She asked them to go home and practice making wudoo' with their parents. Zaid was so glad to learn about wudoo'. He told his parents about his assignment.

Zaid’s father told him, “Having wudoo' is like entering the door to salah. Salah will not be correct if wudoo' is not done.” Lena, Zaid’s sister, a third grader, asked him, “Would you like me to help you make wudoo’?” “Would you really help me? Thanks Lena,” Zaid said.
CONSERVE..., DO NOT WASTE WATER

Remember while making wudoo' to use a small amount of water. Do not leave the water running while you are talking with others. There are many parts of the world that are missing the clean running water that you have. Be thankful to Allah for this water by conserving it. Lets read the following story together:

NOT EVEN FROM A RUNNING RIVER

Once the Prophet ﷺ was walking by when he saw a Sahabi named Sa'ad making wudoo'. He was using too much water. The Prophet ﷺ taught Sa'ad that he shouldn't waste water even if he was making wudoo' at a running river.

WHAT MAKES YOU loose and break your WUDOO'?

1. When using the toilet.
2. When passing gas.
3. When falling asleep.
Let us learn the steps of wudoo' just like Zaid did:

1. Make intention of making wudoo' in your heart (niyyah).

2. Wash both hands to the wrists starting with the right hand.

3. Rinse your mouth three times with water and spit the water out.

4. Clean your nose with water three times.
5. Wash your face three times.

6. Wash your right arm then your left arm to the elbow three times.

7. Wipe your head once.

8. Wash your right foot, then your left foot three times.
When I finish wudoo' I recite this dua'a:

إِسْتَهْدَىْ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لِهِ
وَإِسْتَهْدَىْ أَنْ مُحْمَّدًا عَبْدَهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

I bear witness there is no God but Allah
That He is One with no partner
And I bear witness that Muhammad is His
servant and messenger

Did you know?

The Prophet ﷺ told us that when someone makes wudoo', his sins leave his body.
1. Create a poster that explains how a Muslim boy or girl can perform wudoo’.
2. Go to the masjid with your parents and perform wudoo’ there.

**Study Questions**

1. What does the word wudoo’ mean?
2. Recall the ayah on wudoo’.
3. Does Allah accept salah without wudoo’? Support your answer with a hadeeth.
4. What do we say in our heart before we start wudoo’?
5. What statement do we say when we start wudoo’?
6. What statement do we say when we finish wudoo’?
7. What do we do during wudoo’?
8. What are the things that break wudoo’?
Let's Pray!

**Questions?**

1. Do you know what is one of the keys to Paradise (Al-Jannah)?
2. How important is prayer in our daily lives?
3. How can you avoid making mistakes during prayer?
4. What can you to sit beside the Prophet Muhammad on the Day of Judgment?

**Main Idea:**
Praying five times a day is one of the five pillars of Islam. One should take care of it, and enjoy it. Prayer is the feeding to give strength to your soul, as food gives strength to your body!
The Prophet ﷺ said, “If a river runs in front of your door, and you bathe in it every day five times, would you have any dirt left?” They said, “No dirt would be left.” He said, “That is the example of the five prayers; Allah erases the sins with them.”

Narrated by Al-Bukhari, Muslim and Al-Bayhaqi

Do you know what is the key to Jannah?

"The key to Paradise is prayer"
Think about it!

Have you tried to turn on the TV without having the plug in first?
Surely, the light will not come on, because the plug was not connected to the electricity.

Did you know?
Prayer is your connection with Allah.

"Say indeed my prayer, my sacrifice, my living, and my dying are for Allah, Lord of the Worlds."

Surat-ul-An’aam 162

Be aware of thieves!!

Can Shaytan steal from your prayer?

Prophet Muhammad was asked about turning face during prayer. He replied, "That is the stealing of Shaytan, on which he steals during the person’s prayer.” (Bukhari)

The Prophet said, “The worst thief is the one who steals from his prayer.” He was asked to explain. He said, “He will not complete his rukoo’ and his sujood.” (Imam Ahmad)
Choose your own salah grade

The more you are focused and practicing khushoo’, the higher grade you will receive from Allah ﷻ. Let’s read the following Hadeeth of the Prophet ﷺ.

The Prophet ﷺ said,

“When a person does his prayer, it will be only written for him one third (of the reward), or one fourth, or half, or one sixth, or one eighth, or one tenth. Therefore, a muslim is rewarded for his prayer according to the level of his khushoo” in it. (Imam Ahmad)

Extra! Extra!

Read all about it!

When praying one of the five daily prayers, you will be rewarded for ten prayers! So remember when praying your five daily prayers, you just received the reward of fifty prayers. And that is everyday!

Ways to help you make your five daily prayers:

1. Use the buddy system by having you and your friends remind one another.
2. Ask your parents to remind you and pray jama’ah together.
3. Make your intention to try your best to pray the five daily prayers.
Did you know: That during sujood you are the closest to Allah ﷻ? Did you know: That every time you make sujood, Allah ﷻ takes a way one sayi’ah and gives you one hasanah?

Subhana Rabiyal A’la
Glory be to my Lord, the most High!

Story Time

Rabi’ah Ibn Ka’b

Once a young Sahabi (a friend of the Prophet ﷺ named Rabi’ah bin Ka’b) asked the Prophet to be with him in Jannah. Rabi’ah was 14 years old. The Prophet ﷺ asked him, “Is there anything else you want Rabi’ah?” Rabi’ah answered, “No. All I want is to be with you in Jannah.” Then the Prophet ﷺ said:

"فأعني على نفسك بكثرة السجود"
رواه الطبراني

“Then help yourself by making plenty of sujood.”
Are you ready?

After reading about all the great rewards of praying the five daily prayers, are you ready to learn how is it done? Let's learn together:

1. I face the qiblah, Al-Ka‘bah in Makkah, and make niyyah (intention) in my heart.

2. I raise my hands behind my ears and say "Allahu Akbar" (Allah is Great).

3. I read Surat-ul-Fatihah and a short surah.

4. I say "Allahu Akbar," then make rukoo' (bow).
During rukoo', I say "سُبِحَانَ رَبِّي الْفَظِیلِ", "Subhans Rabiyal-Atheem" (Glory to Allah the Great) 3 times.

I rise from rukoo' and say "سُمِعَ اللَّهُ لَمَّا حَمِدَه", "Sami’a Allahu Liman Hamidah" (Allah hears those who praise Him).

I say "اللَّهُ أُکْبَر", "Subhans Rabiyal-A’la" (Glory to Allah the Most High) 3 times.

I sit up from sujood while saying "اللَّهُ أُکْبَر." Then repeat sujood again.

I just completed one full rak’ah.
To start the second rak’ah, I stand up, read Surat-ul-Fatihah, and repeat the same steps.

After I finish the second rak’ah, I sit down to read At-Tahiyyaat and the Ibraheemiyyah prayer.

I turn my face to the right side and say: "السلام عليكم ورحمة الله" "Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah" (Peace be upon you and the Mercy of Allah).

I turn my face to the left side and say: "السلام عليكم ورحمة الله" "Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah"

I have finished two rak’aat now.
Memorize this important portion of the five daily prayers.

**At-Tahayyat**

Allahumma salli 'ala Muhammad wa 'ala aali Muhammad
Kama sallayta 'ala Ibraheem wa 'ala aali Ibraheem
wa barek 'ala Muhammad wa 'ala aali Muhammad
Kama barakta 'ala Ibraheem wa 'ala aali Ibraheem
Fi-l’aalameen, innaka hameedun majeed

**As-Salat-ul-Ibraheemiyyah**

اللهم صل على محمد وعلى آل محمد، كما صليت على إبراهيم
وعلى آل إبراهيم، وبارك على محمد
وعلى آل محمد، كما باركت على إبراهيم وعلى آل إبراهيم،
في العالمين، إنك حميد مجيد.

When it is time to pray, be the one to remind your friends to get ready for it!
ACTIVITY

1. Create a poster that explains how a Muslim boy or girl can perform Salat-ul-Fajr.

2. Write At-Tahiyyaat and As-Salat-ul-Ibraheemiyyah.

STUDY

QUESTIONS

1. What does the word salah mean?
2. How does salah clean our souls? Recall a hadeeth that explains this point.
3. Does Allah accept all our salah, even when we do not pray the right way?
4. What did the Prophet say to Rabi’ah ibn Ka’b?
5. Toward where should we face when we pray?
6. What do we say in our heart before we start prayers?
7. What statement do we say when we start prayers?
8. What do we recite as we stand during prayers?
Do you know what the key to Jannah is?
2 Why is it important to pray the right way?
3 What are some mistakes that people make in their salah?
4 Why is it important to make your prayer perfect?

word

watch

Khushoo' خشوع

Mona was playing with her two-year-old sister when she remembered that it was time to pray 'Asr. Ever since she was little, her father had been teaching her about salah. Now she was seven years old, and she could pray all by herself.
She told her sister, "Come on, Maha, let’s go pray!"
Then she ran to the bathroom to make wudoo’. Maha toddled behind her. As soon as she was finished, she found a prayer rug to use. Mona made sure she was facing the Qiblah direction, just like her father had showed her.

Then she stood up, made her niyyah in her heart, and began her prayer. Maha always followed her big sister, so she tried to act just like her in salah. Mona took her time in her fard prayers, and then sat down to make some tasbeeh. But Maha still wanted to pray more!
Mona giggled as she watched her sister trying to pray. She was making sujood in a silly way.

Mona bent down in sujood to show her sister the proper way to make sujood.

"Like this, Maha!" Mona made sure her forehead, her nose, and her knees and toes were touching the ground. Maha started wiggling around, and Mona laughed.

"Maybe you’re too young. Let’s wait until you are seven years old," she said, hugging Maha.

Later that night, Mona told her father about praying with Maha. He thought it was funny, and he laughed. Then he said, "I am glad you tried to show Maha the right way to pray, Mona."
It is very important to make your salah perfect. The older you get, the more responsible you are for your prayers.

Let me tell you a story about a man who learned just how important it is.”

**Story Time**

One time, the Prophet ﷺ was sitting with his friends (Sahabah) when a man entered the masjid and started making salah. When he finished, he came to greet the Prophet ﷺ.

The Prophet ﷺ told him, “Go and pray again because you did not pray.” The man went back and repeated his salah. Again, he rushed through the salah. Then he came back to greet the Prophet ﷺ.

Again, the Prophet ﷺ said, “Go pray again, because you did not pray.” He repeated this three times. The man then said, “Oh Prophet of Allah, I do not know any better, so teach me.”

The Prophet ﷺ then told the man to make wudoo’ the right way, then to make sure he was facing the Qiblah toward Makkah. Then he taught him to do takbeer and say “Allahu Akbar” the right way. Then he told him to recite al-Fatihah and some Qur’an correctly.
Rasūlullāh ﷺ said, “When you make rukū’, bend down well and don’t rush. Then raise your back up straight and don’t rush. Make sujood and take your time, then raise your back up straight and take your time. Do this in all your prayers.”

Mona really liked this story. She said, “Wow, this means that prayer doesn’t even count if we don’t pray right!”

Father nodded. “That’s what this story tells us, Mona. Allah wants us to pray with khushoo’. Khushoo’ means to be humble to Allah and focus on your prayer. And even if you are alone, you should always remember that you are standing in front of Allah, and that He is watching and listening to your prayer. Many people ruin their salah because they do not pray the right way.”

“Allah always watches you and hears your salah.”

Mona asked, “Father, what kinds of things ruin our salah?” Father answered, “Things like looking around, laughing, moving your hands, moving your feet around, and making extra noises.”

In prayer,

**DO NOT** look around
**DO NOT** laugh or make noises
**DO NOT** move your hands and feet
سورة الماعون
Surat-ul-Ma’oon

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ

أَرَّبَتْ أَلْلَهُ نَفْرَتُ بَيْنَ الْأَرْقَامِ مِنَ الْأَرْقَامِ يَدْعُونَ أَلْلَهَ مَالِكَ

لاَ تَبْحَثُ عَلَى طَعَامَ الْمَسْكِينِ فَوَيْلُ لِلْمُضْلِيمِينَ الَّذِينَ هُمْ عَن صَلَايَةِ

سَاهِئُونَ الَّذِينَ هُمْ يَرَأُونَ دَمْعَتَ وِبْصَانِعُ الْمَأْعُونَ

TRANSLITERATION

[1] Ara’ayt -allathee yukaththibu biddeen
[3] Wala yahuddu ‘ala ta’aam-il-miskeen
[6] Allatheena hum yura’oon
[7] Wayamna’oon-al-m a’oon
[1] Did you see the one who does not believe in the Day of Judgment?
[2] He is the (man) who is harsh with the orphan
[3] And does not encourage others to feed the poor.
[4] We will punish the worshippers
[5] Who neglect their prayers,
[6] Those who just want to show off
[7] And do not help others with their wealth.

*Listen to the recitation of this sura, recite it and memorize it.*
Always take your time in salah and pray with khushoo'.

**study questions**

1. What did Mona do to make sure she did a good job in her salah?

2. Why did the Prophet ﷺ tell the man that he had not prayed three times?

3. What does it mean to pray with khushoo’?

4. What does Allah do when you are praying?
1. When do Muslims fast?
2. How important is fasting?
3. What is the Arabic word for fasting?

Ramadan
Sawm
Siyam
Iftar
Suhoor
Fajr
Ar-Rayyan
Salatut-Taraweeh
Niyyah
[185] “Shahru ramadan-allathee onzila feeh-il-qur’anu hudal linnasi wabayyinatim-min-alhuda walfurqan, faman shahida minkum-ush-shahra falyasumuh, waman kana mareedan awala safarin fa’iddatum-min ayyamin ukhar, yureed-ullahu bikum-ul-ysra wala yureedu bikum-ul-usr wa litukmilol iddata walitukabbiro-llaaha ala ma hadakum wala’allakum tashkuroon”

[185] Ramadan is the (month) in which was sent down the Qur’an, as a guide to mankind, also clear (Signs) for guidance and judgment (Between right and wrong). So every one of you who is present (at his home) during that month should spend it in fasting, but if anyone is ill, or on a journey, the prescribed period (Should be made up) by days later. God intends every facility for you; He does not want to put you to difficulties. (He wants you) to complete the prescribed period, and to glorify Him in that He has guided you; and perchance you shall be grateful.
Zaid went to his classroom one early morning. It was the first day of Ramadan، and he was fasting. When he got in the classroom, he saw a new student whose name was Ahmed.

**Zaid:** Assalamu Alaykum. Ramadan Mubarak.

My name is Zaid.

**Ahmed:** Oh. To you too. I am Ahmed. I am new here.

**Zaid:** Welcome. How does it feel to fast?

**Ahmed:** Well, actually, I’m not fasting!

**Zaid:** Why? Didn’t you eat suhoor صحرا?  

**Ahmed:** Suhoor? What is that?

**Zaid:** Suhoor is the meal that Muslims eat before Fajr فجر time. It helps us fast the whole day.

**Ahmed:** Well, I’m not used to it. And I have to eat my lunch.
Zaid: Do you know that fasting, or sawm صوم, is one of the five pillars of Islam?
Ahmed: Really?
Zaid: Yes. If we do not fast in Ramadan, Allah ﷻ will not be pleased with us.
Ahmed: Can you tell me how we fast?
Zaid: Fasting means not eating or drinking from dawn until sunset. After sunset, we eat iftar إفطار.
Ahmed: What is iftar?
Zaid: Iftar is the meal that we eat to break our fasting. When we break our fast, we say a special dua’a:

"اللهم لك صمت و بك آمنت وعلى رزقك أفتزت"

"Allahuma laka sumtu wa bika amantu wa ala rizqika aftart."

"O Allah, I have fasted for you, I believed in you, and with your gifts I break my fast."
Ahmed: Are there other things we should do in Ramadan?

Zaid: Yes. Every night, people go to the masjid, and pray Salatut-Taraweeh صلاة التراويح after ‘Isha prayer.

Ahmed: Wow, Muslims do many things in Ramadan. Is it because it’s the month of fasting?

Zaid: Not only that. The Holy Qur‘an was revealed during the month of Ramadan at the time of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Shaytans are also locked up during the month of Ramadan. It is a very special month.

Ahmed: Really? I did not know that.
Zaid: Also Allah promised a special gate in Jannah only for those who fast. It’s called the Ar-Rayyan gate.

Ahmed: Don’t you feel hungry and thirsty when you fast?

Zaid: Yes, of course. Allah wants us to build strong bodies that can stand hunger. He also wants us to feel how poor and hungry people feel, so we will help them.

Ahmed: It must be so hard to fast all day long!

Zaid: Not really, you feel hungry the most on the first day, but it becomes easier because your body gets used to it.

Ahmed: Thank you very much, Zaid, for telling me all this about Ramadan. I will start fasting tomorrow, so I can please Allah and get lots of hasanat.

Zaid: Insha’Allah. Uh oh, class is starting.

Ahmed: See you tonight at Salatut-Taraweeh!
Teacher Hibah: Assalamu Alaykum and Ramadan Mubarak, children! We are now in a very special month. Today we have a new student. His name is Ahmed. Welcome Ahmed! Why don’t you all greet each other? Zaid walked up to Ahmed.

Class: Assalamu Alaykum Ahmed.

Ahmed: Wa Alaykum Assalam, everyone, thank you.

Teacher Hibah: Okay, class, let’s start today’s lesson.

Mona: Teacher, I have a question about fasting.

Teacher: Go ahead, Mona.

Mona: This morning, I forgot that I was fasting. I went to the kitchen and drank my milk. Did I break my fast?

Teacher: Then Allah has sent you a present! You made your niyyah to fast, then you forgot that you were fasting. Allah will forgive you.

Mona: So my fast will still count?

Teacher: Yes. Insha’Allah!

Ahmad: Wow, even if you eat your whole lunch? Everyone started laughing. Teacher Hibah smiled and said: Yes, but you must truly forget that you were fasting.

Bilal: Alhamdulillah, Allah is so kind.
Mona: What breaks our fast? How do we know when it won’t count?
Teacher: If you eat or drink even though you know you are fasting, you will break your fast. However, if you are sick, you don’t have to fast, but you will have to make it up.
Zaid: What should we do to make up for days we miss?
Teacher: You make them up by fasting other days after Ramadan.
Ahmed: This school is great. It teaches me things about my religion. thank you, Teacher.
Teacher: You’re welcome Ahmed.
WORDS OF WISDOM
Hadeeth Shareef
Narrrated by Muslim & Bukhari

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه: قال رسول الله ﷺ: "من صام رمضان بإيمان واحساساً غفر الله له ما تقدم من ذنبه.

TRANSLITERATION
"Man sama Ramadan imanan wahtisaman ghafaar Allahu lahu ma taqaddama min thanbih."

TRANSLATION
Abu Hurayrah (R) reported that the Prophet ﷺ said: "He who fasts Ramadan out of faith and to gain reward, Allah will forgive all of his past sins."

healthy habit
When we fast during Ramadan, it makes us feel how the needy people feel. Try to fast the whole month of Ramadan, if you can.

healthy habit
Giving Charity
Save some of your money to share with the needy. Give it to the poor around Eid time! Our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was the most generous during the month of Ramadan.
Ask your parents how they felt when they fasted during the month of Ramadan at your age.

**NASHEED**

*RAMADAN*

Listen to this nasheed and try to memorize it.

**study**

--- *questions* ---

1. What is the name of the month during which Muslims fast?
2. What is the Arabic word for fasting?
3. When do we start and end our day of fasting?
4. What is suhoor? When do we eat the meal of suhoor?
5. What is the meal that we eat at sunset called?
6. Allah will invite Muslims who fast Ramadan to enter Jannah from a special gate. What is the name of that gate?
If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?
Where do you face when you pray?
What are some special things about Makkah?

Hajj
Al-Ka'bah
Makkah
Al-Masjid al-Haram
Zamzam
Insha'Allah
Ghar Hiraa'
Jabal-un-Noor

Do you know the name of the most special city for Muslims?
Makkah is the most special city for all Muslims.

It is in a Muslim country called Saudi Arabia.
Prophet Adam عليه السلام and his family lived in Makkah and died there. They were the first family that lived on Earth.

Much later, Prophet Ibraheem عليه السلام and his son, Prophet Isma’eel عليه السلام, built Al-Ka’bah in Makkah. This was many, many years before Prophet Mohammad ﷺ was born.
Prophet Muhammad was born in Makkah, more than 1400 years ago.

He became a prophet in Makkah. Al-Qur’an was revealed to him there.

Muhammad received the first Ayaat of Al-Qur’an in Ghar Hira’ on the top of Jabal-un-Noor, or the Mountain of Light.
Makkah was very special to Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. Abu Bakr, Omar, Othman, Ali and many of the first Muslims were born and lived in Makkah. Later, they moved to Madina with the prophet ﷺ.

Makkah is the Qiblah for Muslims. All Muslims pray to the direction of Al-Ka’bah. Al-Ka’bah is in Al-Masjid al-Haram. This means “The Sacred Mosque.”
Also next to Al-Ka’bah in Al-Masjid al-Haram is the well of Zamzam. A well is a deep hole in the ground, filled with water. This well has holy water in it. Allah made this spring of water for Prophet Isma’eel and his mother thousands of years ago.

Al-Ka’bah is very special because it is the first Masjid ever built on earth.

Praying in Al-Masjid Al-Haram gives us 100,000 times more reward than praying anywhere else in the world. One day you will visit Al-Ka’bah and pray near it, insha’Allah!
Remember that you are facing Al-Ka’bah in Makkah when you pray. Muslims in India, Syria, China, Brazil, America and everywhere else in the world face the same place when they pray. Think about how special it is for all the Muslims in the world to pray toward the same place, five times a day.

Draw the Ka’bah and hang your art in your room.

Questions:

1. What is the most special city for Muslims?
2. Where is Makkah?
3. Who were the first people in Makkah?
4. Who built Al-Ka’bah?
5. Why was Makkah special to Prophet Muhammad ﷺ?
6. Why is the spring of Zamzam special? Where in Makkah is it?
Madinah, The City of Light

Where is Prophet Muhammad’s Mosque?
Why did the first Muslims leave Makkah and went to Al-Madina?
What other special things do you know about Madina?

Al-Madina
Al-Munawwarah
Yathrib
Al-Masjid An-Nabawi
Al-Baqea’

Al-Madina is another city in Saudi Arabia.
It is the second holiest city for Muslims.
Why is Madina so special?

When the new Muslims were not treated nicely in Makkah, they moved to Al-Madina. Madina was a safer place for them. At that time, the city was called Yathrib.

Prophet Muhammad's masjid is in Al-Madina. It is called Al-Masjid An-Nabawi. This means "The mosque of the Prophet."
The early Muslims built the masjid and Prophet Muhammad’s ˹houses˺ next to it.

Prophets are usually buried where they die. When Prophet Muhammad ˹died˺, he was buried in his house, next to the Masjid.

Prophet Muhammad’s ˹friends˺, Abu Bakr and Omar, were buried beside the prophet when they died. Later Muslims wanted to make the masjid bigger, so they expanded the Masjid over the graves. Many other Sahabah and good Muslims are buried in a place near the Masjid called Al-Baqea’.

We love the Prophet Muhammad ˹and his Sahabah. That is why it is very special to visit his masjid and the place where he is buried with his two best companions.

The masjid is much bigger today than it was when Prophet Muhammad ˹was alive. The Prophet’s city is also called Al-Madina Al-Munawwarah. This means, “The City of Light.”
Draw Al-Masjid-un-Nabawi and hang your art in your room.

1. Where is Madina?
2. Why did early Muslims move there?
3. What special masjid is in Madina?
4. Why is it special?
5. What was another name for Madina?
Al-Quds, or Jerusalem, is the third most special city for Muslims. It is in Palestine.

It was known as "Bayt-ul-Maqdis."
This means "The Holy House."
There is a special masjid in Jerusalem. It is Al-Masjid-ul-Aqsa.
One special night, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ visited Al-Masjid-ul-Aqsa in Al-Quds. He prayed in the masjid at that night with all other prophets. He then stood on a special rock called As-Sakhrah Al-Musharrafah. From there, he went up to the heavens. That night is called Al-Isra’ Wal-Mi’raj. Allah gave Prophet Muhammad a very fast ride called Al-Buraq.

The place where Prophet Muhammad ﷺ left from Earth is covered by Qubbat-us-Sakhrah, the Dome of the Rock.
Subhan-allathee asra bi’abdihi laylam-mina almasjid-il-harami ila-almasjid-il-aqsa-allathee barakna hawlahu linuriyahu min ayatina innahu huwa-assamee’-ul-baseer.

“Glory to Allah, who took His servant for a trip at night from Al-Masjid-ul-Haram to Al-Masjid-ul-Aqsa, which we blessed in and around it, to show him [Muhammad] some of our [Allah’s] signs and miracles, [Allah] is the One who hears and sees [all things].”
Jerusalem is different than Makkah and Madina because it is special to Muslims, Christians, and Jews.

This makes Jerusalem a special place for many people!

**Activity**

Draw a picture for Al-Masjid-ul-Aqsa and another for Qubbat-us-Sakhrah and hang them in your room.

**Study**

- **Questions**
  1. What is the third most special city for Muslims?
  2. Who else is it special to?
  3. What are some other names for Jerusalem?
  4. What are some special buildings in Jerusalem?
  5. What is special about the Dome of the Rock?
UNIT E

MY MUSLIM MANNERS

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E1
Who is your hero?
How do heroes behave?
Would you like to be a hero to others?

WHAT IS A HERO?
A real hero is a role model. Qudwah is the word for role model in Arabic.

A hero or a qudwah is:
- Someone who makes you think of doing good things.
- Someone whom you respect—you would like to follow and want to be like him or her.
- Someone who has taught you great things.
- Someone who pleases Allah and encourages you to do the same.
Let’s listen to some boys and girls who have heroes in their lives:

My hero is Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. He taught me how to do and say great things. He stood up strongly for what he believed in. He had a hard time with nonbelievers but he never gave up. He taught me how to be honest, strong, kind, fair, and helpful to others. He made bad people become good. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is my role model (qudwah). Prophet Muhammad ﷺ is my hero.
My hero is Abu Bakr As-Siddeeq, the first Muslim khaleefah.
He was Prophet Muhammad’s best friend.
He taught me how to have a kind heart and to treat people with kindness.
He spoke only when it was important.
From him, I learned how to think before I speak.
He was a great doer; he worked much more than he talked.
I learned from him how to be a good friend.
He was a great friend to the Prophet ﷺ.
Abu Bakr was a great friend and a great teacher.
Abu Bakr is my hero.
My hero is Khadeejah Bintu Khuwayled, the wife of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. She and the Prophet had 4 great daughters. They are Zaynab, Ruqayyah, Ummu Kulthoom and Fatimah. She taught me how to work hard for Islam. She taught me how to support Muslims. She used her money for the sake of Allah to help Muslims. She was the first person to believe in the Prophet ﷺ, and become a Muslim. Khadeejah was a great wife. Khadeejah is my hero.
My mother is my hero.
She is someone I can always count on.
She is someone who gives me courage and love.
She is always there when I’m healthy or sick, or when I’m happy or sad.
She always believes in me and tells me I can do things.
She cooks my food, cleans my clothes, and wipes my tears when I am sad.
She forgives me when I make mistakes.
Sometimes she punishes me, but this teaches me not to do something bad again.
She is my best friend.
I ask Allah to grant my mother Paradise.
She and dad have given me a great life on Earth.
She is a great mother.
She is my hero.
My hero is my father.
He works hard every day.
He puts food on our table and a roof over our heads.
He taught me how to pray.
He taught me how to ride a bike.
He taught me how to swim.
He taught me to be kind.
He tells me stories of the prophets.
He wants me to be even better than him.
He always makes me happy.
He is happy even with the small good things I do, and he tells me he is proud of me.
He taught me how to work hard and to never give up.
My father is my friend.
When I grow up, I want to be just like him.
May Allah keep him safe. He is a great father.
He is my hero.
My teacher is my hero. 
She teaches me to seek knowledge, and to be among the stars. 
When I tell her "I can't do it," she does not accept that. 
Instead, she always tells me to say "InshaAllah I will try my best." 
She taught me to be confident in myself. 
She taught me how to work hard, so I could reach my goals. 
She listens to me when I talk. 
She gives me time, and she thinks I’m special. 
She tells me and the other students that "Allah wants you to be the best, and the best never rest." 
She always gives me courage. 
She taught me the real meaning of achievement. 
May Allah reward her and bless her. 
She is my teacher. 
She is my hero.
My hero is Abdullah ibn Mas’oud. He is a great Sahabi of the Prophet . He was a great reader of the Holy Qur’an. He was the first to recite Al-Qur’an aloud by Al-Ka’bah. The non-believers beat him up for that, but he was patient. He learned 70 surahs of Al-Quran directly from the Prophet . The Prophet used to love listening to Abdullah ibn Mas’oud reading the Qur’an. Abdullah ibn Mas’oud learned the Qur’an, memorized it, and taught it to others. Abdullah loved the Qur’an, and he tried to do everything it said. He has encouraged me to learn Al-Qur’an and memorize it. He is a great Sahabi. He is my hero.
My hero is Hakeem Olajuwon. He is from Nigeria, a Muslim country in Africa. He was a great basketball player. He won the championship twice with his team. He is also a good Muslim. He prays, he fasts, gives zakah and makes Hajj. He has great Muslim manners. When his Houston Rockets team won the championship they wanted to do a parade in Houston. It was at 2 P.M. on Friday. Hakeem told them he could not do the parade at that time, because he had to pray Al-Jumu’ah prayer. The team didn’t want to do it without him, because he was their leader. The parade waited for him in the street, and the city waited for him too. When he finished praying Salat-ul-Jumu’ah, he joined the parade. They had a good victory parade. He is my hero.
Write a profile about your hero like the ones you have just read. Share what you wrote with your class. Listen to what they wrote too. On the board, make a list with your class about what makes a great hero.

Healthy Habit
Only choose great Muslim people as your heroes. They teach you how to please Allah and do good things.

Study Questions
1. What does a hero mean? What’s the Arabic word for role model?
2. What do real heroes make you do?
3. Name some of the heroes mentioned in this lesson.
4. Who are your heroes? Why?
5. If you were a hero, how would you act and what would you do?
UNIT E
CHAPTER 2
I Am A Muslim... I Am Honest

1. How does it feel when someone lies to you?
2. How would you feel if someone stole your money?
3. What does honesty mean?
4. Are you an honest person?
5. Have you been dishonest with anyone before?

Think... Pair... Share...

Think about how it feels to be honest and how it feels to be dishonest. Pair up with someone in your class and share your thoughts.
A Muslim should always practice honesty, or *amanah* أمانة. He or she speaks the truth حق and does not lie. He or she is also trustworthy. He can be trusted with money, things and secrets.

**Q:** Do you know who was called "The Truthful, The Trustworthy" الصادق الأمين؟

If your answer is "Prophet Muhammad ﷺ," you are correct.

People trusted Muhammad because he never lied. He never cheated anyone. People in Makkah used to give him their expensive things, so he could keep them safe. If they told him a secret, he would never tell other people about it. Prophet Muhammad ﷺ had the best manners, just like the Qur’an said about him:

"*وانِك لعلى خلق عظيمَ *

Wa innaka la’ala khuluqin atheem

"And indeed, you have great manners."

Prophet Muhammad taught us to always be honest. He said:

"عليكم بالصدق"

Alaykum Bissidq

"You have to be honest."
Allah Sees Us

One night, Omar ibn-ul-Khattab, the second Muslim Khalifah, was walking through the city of Madinah. He was checking on people to look for those who needed help, and to visit the ill.

Then, Omar heard a woman talking to her daughter.

Mother: Dear daughter, get the milk ready to sell for tomorrow. Since we don’t have a lot of milk, mix it with water. That way, we will get more money.

Daughter: But mother, didn’t the Khaleefah Omar forbid cheating?

Mother: Mix it, dear. Omar cannot see us now.
**Daughter:** Omar cannot see us now, but Allah can see us all the time.

The Khaleefah Omar was very happy with the girl. She was honest and refused to cheat.

Later on, she got married to Omar’s son Asim. She was the grandmother of Omar ibn Abdul Aziz, one of the greatest Muslim khaleefahs ever.

إن الله كان عليكم رقيباً

InnAllaha kana alaykum raqeeba

"Indeed, Allah is ever-watching upon you"
I Found the Watch

One day Ahmad was feeling very sad. When his friends asked him why, he said he had lost his watch. His grandfather had given him that watch on Eid. His friends helped him look for the watch. They looked in the classroom and the schoolyard, but found nothing.

Ahmad’s friend, Omar, taught him the dua’a that you say when you lose something:

اللهِمْ بِحَجَمَ الْبَيْنِ لِيِّمَ لاَ رَبٍّ فِيهِ رَبّ ِعَلَيْ ضَلَّتِ

"Allahuma ya jami’a-nnasi liyawmin la rayba feeh, rudda alayya dallatee"

“Oh Allah, Who will gather people for a day that there is no doubt about [the Day of Judgment], return to me what I have lost.”

Ahmad thanked Omar for teaching him the du’aa’.

The next day, Bilal was swinging, and he noticed a shiny object in the sand. He got off the swing and picked it up. It turned out to be Ahmad’s missing watch!
Bilal liked the watch very much, and said, "This is one cool watch." Although Bilal liked it a lot, he remembered how happy he was when someone returned his lost key chain to him. He knew that honesty makes everyone happy.

Bilal rushed to his teacher and gave her the watch. The teacher returned the watch to Ahmad. Ahmad thanked Bilal for returning his watch. With a smile on his face, Bilal said "Don’t mention it; it was the right thing to do."

Teacher Hibah and his classmates respected him for being honest. She said "Takbeer" for Bilal! Everyone said "Allahu Akbar."
Why should you be honest?

Honesty brings you closer to Allah ﷻ. Honesty will earn you the trust of people. Honesty makes everyone respect you.

**We have learned**

1. Allah ﷻ knows everything we say and do. Allah loves those who are honest.
2. Being honest makes everyone happy.
3. When you lose something say the du'aa'.
4. When you are honest you make others do the same.
5. Prophet Muhammad was the best example of honesty.
6. Honesty will lead to Jannah.
7. Honesty will earn you the trust of your parents and others.

**Do you want to be a winner?**

Be Honest!
سورة الليل
Surat-ul-Layl

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

1. Wallayli itha yaghsha
2. Wannahari itha tajalla
3. Wama khalaqa-ththakara wal-ontha
4. Inna sa’yakum lashatta
5. Faamma man aa’ta wattaqa
6. Wasaddaqa bilhusna
7. Fasanuyassiruhu lilyusra
8. Wa amma man bakhila wastaghna
9. Wakaththaba bilhusna
10. Fasanuyassiruhu lil’usra
11. Wama yughnee ‘anhu maluhu itha taradda
12. Inna ‘alayna lalhuda
13. Wa-inna lana lal-akhirata wal-oola
14. Fa anthartukum naran talaththa
15. La yaslaha illal-ashqa
16. Allathee kaththaba watawalla
17. Wasayujannabuhal-atqa
18. Allathee yu’tee malahu yatazakka
19. Wama li-ahadin ‘indahu min ni’matin tujza
20. Illabtigha’a wajhi rabbihil-aa’la
21. Walasawfa yarda

1. By the night when it covers
2. And [by] the day when it appears
3. And [by] He who created the male and female,
4. Indeed, your efforts are diverse.
5. As for he who gives and fears Allah
6. And believes in the best [reward],
7. We will ease him toward ease.
8. But as for he who withholds and considers himself free of need
9. And denies the best [reward],
10. We will ease him toward difficulty.
11. And what will his wealth avail him when he falls?
12. Indeed, [incumbent] upon Us is guidance.
13. And indeed, to Us belongs the Hereafter and the first [life].
14. So I have warned you of a Fire which is blazing.
15. None will [enter to] burn therein except the most wretched one.
16. Who had denied and turned away.
17. But the righteous one will avoid it -
18. [He] who gives [from] his
19. And not [giving] for anyone who has [done him] a favor to be rewarded
20. But only seeking the countenance of his Lord, Most High.
21. And he is going to be satisfied.

Listen to the recitation of this sura, recite it and memorize it.
WORDS OF WISDOM
Hadeeth Shareef

حديث شريف
Narrated By At-Tirmithi

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه قال رسول الله ﷺ:
"من غش فليس مثا."

رواه الترمذي

TRANSLITERATION
Man ghsha falaysa minna

TRANSLATION
Abu Hurayrah reported that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said, "A dishonest person who cheats is not one of us."

study

questions

1. What is honesty?
2. What was the nickname of Prophet Muhammad?
3. Why is it good to be honest and truthful?
4. Why is it bad to be dishonest and a liar?
5. Why did Khaleefah Omar respect the young woman in the story?
6. Why did everybody in the class say "Allahu Akbar?"
It was a beautiful Saturday. Mama walked from Zaid’s bedroom to Leena’s bedroom, waking them up.

“Zaid, Leena, time to wake up!” she called.

Zaid and Leena were still sleepy. But they obeyed Mama and got out of bed. Zaid remembered how long Leena took in the bathroom. He ran down the hallway to get there before her!
Oh no! Zaid was too late. Leena got to the bathroom. So Zaid decided he would be patient and wait his turn.

Leena was brushing her teeth in the bathroom. She looked carefully at her watch. She did not want to make Zaid wait too long. She knew it was important to care about her brother’s feelings.

Soon, Leena came out of the bathroom.
“Assalamu alaykum, Zaid! Good morning.”
Zaid was surprised. Leena came out fast today!
“Wow, I didn’t wait so long. Thank you Leena!”
Leena said, “Well, I know you don’t like to wait, so I wanted to be quick.”
Zaid said, “And I tried to be as patient as I could, too!”

Leena and Zaid had a fight last week. They both had decided to be patient and nicer to each other. Alhamdulillah, it was working.
They went downstairs to have breakfast together. Dad was playing with Baby Yousuf and Mama was fixing breakfast. Leena and Zaid went to hug Daddy and Yousuf. They sat down to play with him, but Leena remembered something important.

She said, "Zaid, maybe we should go see if Mama needs our help!"
"Yeah! You’re right! Let’s go!"
They went to the kitchen.
**Together they said,** “Assalamu alaykum, Mama, do you need our help?”
**Mama smiled,** “Wa Alaykum Assalam, kids! Yes, could you set the table, please?”
After the table was set, the family said “Bismillah” and started eating breakfast.

**Dad said**, “Mariam this is a really good breakfast!”

**Zaid agreed**, “Yeah, Mama! It’s the best!”

Leena nodded, because she still had food in her mouth.

**Dad said**, “Let’s hurry up and clean up with Mama, because I think it’s a perfect day to go to the park!”

“YAY!!” said Zaid and Leena.

They all finished breakfast, and said “Alhamdulillah.”

The whole family cleaned the table, washed the dishes, and got ready to leave for the park!

They all sat in the car and Zaid reminded them of the dua’a to travel. He loved his family very much. He wanted all of them to get good deeds, so they could all go to Jannah. Zaid also knew it was important to be good to them, because Rasoolullah had ordered Muslims to do so.

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**healthy habit**

Always help your parents whenever they need help.
WORDS OF WISDOM
Hadeeth Shareef

حديث شريف

Narrated By Ibn Majah & At-Tirmithi

عن عباس رضي الله عنه قال رسول الله ﷺ: "خيركم خيركم لأهلك وأنا خيركم لأهلي" رواه ابن ماجه والترمذي

TRANSLITERATION

"Khayrulkum khayrulkum li'ahlih, wa ana khayrulkum li'ahli" 

TRANSLATION

Ibn Abbas رضي الله عنه reported that the Prophet ﷺ said, "The best among you is he who is good to his family, and I am the best of you to my family."

healthy habit

Listen to your parents as soon as they tell you to do something. This shows that you love them.
While they were driving to the park, Dad was telling funny jokes. Leena and Zaid laughed so hard, their stomachs felt funny!

Baby Yousuf heard all the noise and started crying. **Zaid said, “Uh oh!”**
**Leena said, “Baby Yousuf, don’t cry!”**
They both loved their baby brother very much and stopped making the noise so he could feel better.

When they got to the park, Zaid ran to help Mama carry the picnic basket. Leena helped Dad take out the balls. They wanted to help their parents because they loved them a lot.

They walked in the park together for a little while. They picked a nice spot to put their stuff down.
Mama and Dad watched Baby Yousuf crawl around, doing funny things.

Leena and Zaid ran to the playground, laughing together. They played on the seesaw, they sat on the swings, and they took turns on the slide!

Then it was time to eat lunch. Mama called her kids to come back, "Zaid! Leena! It's time for lunch!" Zaid and Leena listened to their mother and ran back to their parents.
Leena and Zaid kissed their baby brother, because he was so cute. They couldn’t wait until he was big enough to play with them! Lunch was ready, and the Mahmood family began to eat.

There was only one cookie left after dessert. Leena and Zaid both wanted to eat it! Chocolate chip cookies were their FAVORITE. Then Leena remembered that her parents and teachers always taught her to share what she loved. She said to Zaid, “You can have the cookie, Zaid. I love you.”

Zaid was very happy, but he loved his sister too!

Zaid said, “No, Leena I changed my mind. You can eat it.”

Mama was very happy with her children.
Mama said, "I have an idea! Why don't you share the cookie? Zaid can have half, and Leena can have half!" Zaid and Leena started eating the cookie.

When they were ready to leave, Zaid and Leena hugged their parents and said, "Thank you, Jazakum-ullahu Khayran," for taking them to the park.

Baba said, "We love you, and we are proud that you are such great kids. That is why we wanted to reward you by bringing you here!"

Mama, Dad, Zaid, Leena, and Baby Yousuf had a fun day together. They loved each other very much. They always helped each other and made each other feel good and happy. To show how much they loved each other, they shared, helped, and listened to each other as much as they could.
ACTIVITY time

- Make a list of things you should do to make your family love you.
- Make another list of things you should avoid because they make your parents or family upset with you.

study

questions

1. What did the Prophet 🕋️ say about how to treat our families?
2. How was Zaid patient in the morning? How was Leena nice in the morning?
3. Did Leena and Zaid listen to Mama? When?
4. What were some other nice things the kids did for their parents?
5. What was the nice thing Dad did for the family?
6. How were Zaid and Leena nice to Baby Yousuf?
7. Who got to eat the cookie? Why?
I Respect My Teachers and Elders

1. Why should you respect your teacher?
2. Why do teachers and elders set rules?
3. What might happen if you disobey your teacher?

word

watch

Ta’ah (Obedience)

It was a very pretty day, and Bilal was on a field trip with his class to the zoo. Teacher Hibah was telling them about the different animals. Bilal was having fun learning and watching the tigers. He was glad that his teacher taught him so many wonderful things.
When the class sat down for lunch, Bilal sat with his friends. Zaid was not there because he was sick. Bilal missed his best friend. As Bilal was eating his sandwich, Amir and his friends came up to him.

**Amir:** Hey Bilal!

**Bilal:** Assalamu Alaykum, Amir.

**Amir:** We finished eating already, and we’re going to go look at the alligators. Do you want to come with us?

**Bilal:** But the class is still eating! You know we’re not allowed to go alone!

**Amir:** Come on, it won’t take very long. We will be back soon.

**Bilal thought to himself:** Amir was not asking him to do a good thing. Teacher Hibah had always taught the class to obey the rules and do good things.
Besides, Teacher Hibah had told them this morning, "Stay with your class the whole time, kids. I want you all to be safe."

So Bilal told Amir: I am not coming with you, Amir. I will obey teacher Hibah's rules. You all shouldn't go, either. We have to show ta'ah and obedience to our teachers and elders.

Amir answered: Well, Teacher Hibah will never know. We will be back soon.

Bilal: Allah will know that you broke the rules. And He will know that you disobeyed our teacher. Teacher Hibah just wants us to be safe. She was nice to bring us to the zoo and teach us about the animals. We should respect her kindness.

Amir: Well you can stay here. We're still going.
Amir ran off with his friends when Teacher Hibah wasn’t looking. Bilal was sad that his classmates were not being good.

Pretty soon, the class was ready to go look at more animals.

Teacher Hibah: Okay class, clean up and let’s have some more fun!

Bilal got worried. Amir and the boys were not back yet. Teacher Hibah saw that the class looked smaller.

Teacher Hibah: Who’s missing? Where are Amir, Khalid, and Omar?

Bilal did not want something bad to happen. He said, “Teacher Hibah, they went to go look at the alligators.”

Teacher Hibah did not look happy at all.

She said: They were not supposed to go anywhere alone. We have to find them now.
The class was not smiling, either. Now they could not see more animals and have more fun until the boys were found. They looked everywhere, and the boys were still lost. They even looked by the alligators. Now everyone was worried.

**Mona:** Where did they go? What if something happened to them?

**Teacher Hibah:** InshaAllah they are safe. But this is why you are not allowed to leave the group. Then, far away, they saw the zookeeper walking toward them with three little boys in front of him.

**Bilal:** There they are!

Bilal saw that Amir and his friends looked very scared.
Zookeeper: Are these boys with your class?
Teacher Hibah: Yes, they are. Thank you for bringing them back. Where were they?
Zookeeper: They were lost, and they asked me to help them find your class.

Teacher Hibah was very upset.
Teacher Hibah: Boys, do you know how worried I was? The class was worried too! You will have to be punished for breaking the rules. I will call your parents, and no more field trips for you boys.

Amir, Khalid, and Omar looked ashamed. They knew that they had done a bad thing, and now they were in big trouble.
Amir, Khalid, Omar: We are very sorry for everything Teacher Hibah. We will try to be good and obey you from now on.
Teacher Hibah: Well, it is time to go back to school now. I hope you boys learned your lesson. Teachers and parents make rules that are good for you.

Amir: Oh, we did learn our lesson! We didn’t even get to see the alligators, we made everyone worried and sad, and now we are in big trouble! I wish I had listened to you, Teacher. Then everything would have been okay.

Elders set rules to keep you safe.
Bilal went up to Amir: When we listen to our teacher, we make Allah happy. When we disobey her, then we need to ask Allah and our teacher for forgiveness.

Amir: I’m sorry I did not listen to you before, Bilal. You were telling me the right thing to do.

Bilal: It’s okay, Amir. Let’s just help each other be good.

**WORDS OF WISDOM**

**Hadeeth Shareef**

Narrated By Bukhari, Muslim & Ahmed

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه قال رسول الله ﷺ:

"سمعوا وأطيعوا واصبروا"

**TRANSLITERATION**

"Isma’oo wa-atee’oo washiroo"

**TRANSLATION**

Abu Hurayra reported that the Prophet ﷺ said, “Listen (to your elders), obey them and be patient.”
WORDS OF WISDOM

Holy Qur'an

سورة النساء

Surat-un-Nisa': Ayah 59

Ya ayyuha allatheena aamanoo atteeo Allahaa wa atteeo arrasoola wa olee alamri minkum

TRANSLITERATION

"O you who believe, obey Allah, obey the Messenger and those who are responsible of you."

health

Always be obedient to your parents, and teachers. Follow the rules they set for you.
With your friends, make a play about obeying parents and teachers and act it out in front of your class.

study

- questions -

1. What did Amir ask Bilal to do at lunch time?
2. Why did Bilal stay with the class?
3. What happened to Amir and his friends?
4. Why did Teacher Hibah set the rule for the kids to stay with the class?
5. Do you think Allah was happy with Amir, Khalid, and Omar? How can you keep Allah happy?
6. Did Bilal do the right thing by telling the teacher that Amir had left?
Leena heard the call of the Fajr athan and stretched her arms and legs. Then she remembered that today was a special day! Today Mama was going to take all her friends to the big new mall! Leena needed to buy a book, and Mama was giving them all a treat! Leena hurried out of bed to pray and eat breakfast.

As soon as they were ready, Leena and her mother left the house. They read the dua’a of leaving the house.
"Bismillah, tawakkalna ‘ala-llah, la hawla, wa la quwwata, illah billah."

In the name of Allah, we rely on Him, and we will not have power or strength without Allah’s support.

Then they sat in the car to go pick up her friends. Mama and Leena also did not forget to say dua’a Ar-Rukoob (travel prayer) together.

"Subhan-Allah, kafirana kif kif, inna ila rabbana la munqaliboon."

Glory be to Allah who made this (car) available to us. We are not worshipping others with Him, and to Him we will return.

healthy
habit

Always read dua’a of leaving the home when you step out of your house. Read the dua’a of riding when you sit in a car or something else you travel in.
Their first stop was Sarah’s house. She came running out of her house to the car.

"Assalamu alaykum Aunty Mariam and Leena!"
"Wa alaykum assalaam," said both Leena and her mother.
“How are you Aunty?” asked Sarah.
“Alhamdulillah, dear, how is your mother?” answered Mariam.
“She’s doing well, Alhamdulillah.”

Sarah and Leena were so excited because they were going to have so much fun! Next came Aminah’s house. As soon as she was in the car, they were on their way to the mall!
They came closer and closer, and soon they saw a big building.

"Masha’Allah!" All the girls said. The mall was so big!!! Leena’s mother parked the car, and they all got out.

"Remember, girls: we need to stay together in this big place. I don’t want any of you to get lost," she told them. The girls listened to Aunty Mariam and held hands.
They entered the mall, and all the girls froze! There was an amusement park INSIDE the mall!

"SURPRISE!!!" said Leena’s mother. “Since you all have been doing so well in school, all the parents wanted to give you a treat!”

The girls really were very surprised, and very happy. They wanted to run to the rides and start the fun!

“Oh!” said Leena. “I forgot what we even came here for! I need to buy my book first, right Mama?”

“I am very proud of you for remembering, my dear. I forgot too! This mall is so pretty! But we should always remember what is important first. Learning is always before fun.”

“I hope Allah will reward us for being patient and putting knowledge first! What are we waiting for? Let’s go!” said Leena.
They entered the bookstore and started looking for the book they needed. Leena found her book quickly and got in line to pay for it with her friends and mother. It was a very long line. They looked out the window and saw all the other children having fun in the park.

“That sure looks like fun!” said Sarah.

“I wish we didn’t have to wait!” said Leena. The line began to take so long!

“I know, Leena. Good things come to people who are patient.”
While they were talking, the line grew shorter. Soon, it was Leena’s turn and she bought the book. It was finally time to go to the amusement park!

The first ride they got to was the bumper cars. Aminah got to the pink car first, but ALL the girls wanted the pink one. There was only room for one person in it!

“Mama but I wanted the pink one!” whispered Leena.

“Aminah is your good friend, isn’t she darling?” “Well....yes,” answered Leena.

“As Muslims, we should learn to love for other Muslims what we love for ourselves. If you want something for yourself very much, it is better to give it up to other Muslims. It will make Allah happy.”
Aminah heard Leena’s mother telling her this and stopped before she sat down. She wanted to be a good Muslim, too!

"Leena, you can have my car, I will sit in the purple one instead." Leena had a big smile on her face. It was very nice of her friend to offer the pink car to her.

"Thank you so much, Aminah, but it’s okay! I’ll sit in the blue car. It will be fun either way!"

"Let’s go!” cried Sarah. “Yippeeeeee!”

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**WORDS OF WISDOM**

_Hadeeth Shareef_

**حديث شريف**

Narrated By At-Tirmithi & Ahmad

عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه قال رسول الله ﷺ: "من لا يشكر الناس لا يشكر الله."

رواه الترمذي وأحمد

**TRANSLITERATION**

"Man La Yashkuri-nnas La Yashkurillah"

**TRANSLATION**

Abu Hurayrah reported that the Prophet ﷺ said, "The one who does not thank people who did good to him, he is not thankful to Allah.”
The girls had fun on the bumper cars and all the other rides. They remembered to be nice to each other. All that mattered was that they were all having fun together!!!

On the way home, the girls remembered how they learned to be patient and caring. They did important things before they had fun. Then they remembered one last thing.

“THANK YOU AUNTY MARIAM!!!”
When you go to the mall or the market say:

"La ilaha illa Allah, wali la sharika la, la huwa hayyun la yamoot, biyadhil-khayr, wa huwa ala kulli shay'in qadeer.

Lailah illa Allah wahdahu la shareeka la, lahu-lmulk wa lahu-lhamd, yahye wa yumeet, wa huwa hayyun la yamoot, biyadhil-khayr, wa huwa ala kulli shay'in qadeer.

It means: "There is no God but Allah alone, He has no partner, He has the majesty and praise, He gives life and death, He is alive and does not die, and He can do anything."

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**study**

**questions**

1. **What is the Dua'a for traveling?**
2. **How do Muslims greet one another?**
3. **What should you do first: Something important such as learning, or something fun?**
4. **Should you think of yourself or your Muslim friend first?**
Why should you keep your room clean?
What kind of problems can you have if you have a messy room?
Do you keep your room nice and clean?
Who do you please if you keep your room nice and clean?
Who is responsible for keeping your room clean and neat?

One weekend, Zaid went to Amir’s house for lunch. He knew that he was going to have fun playing with his friend!!

Zaid: Assalamu Alaykum, Amir!
Amir: Wa Alaykum Assalaam Zaid! Let’s play!
Amir’s Mom: You boys have to eat your lunch first. Welcome Zaid.
Zaid: Thank you, Aunty.
So Zaid and Amir washed their hands, said the dua’a before eating, then ate some very yummy sandwiches and drank juice.

Then they washed their hands again, and ran to Amir’s room to play.

Zaid tripped and fell as he ran into Amir’s room. He looked around to see what had made him fall. He saw a toy truck sitting in the doorway.

**Amir:** Sorry about that, Zaid. Are you okay?

**Zaid:** Yeah, I’m okay, Alhamdulillah.

He looked around at Amir’s room. It was a BIG mess! There were clothes, toys, and books on the floor. Trash was everywhere! Zaid thought he smelled something funny.
Zaid moved some things around and found a place to sit.

**Amir:** Do you want to play my new adventure board game? It’s fun.

**Zaid:** Yeah!!!

Amir reached under his bed for the game, but found nothing.

**Amir:** That’s funny, I thought I put it right here! Amir hopped over his toys and clothes to his closet. He opened the closet door, and clothes and toys fell out!

**Amir:** It must be in here.

Amir started throwing the clothes over his shoulder, looking for the game. One of his socks landed on Zaid’s head. Zaid hoped it was a clean sock.
Amir couldn’t find his game in the closet either.

**Amir:** It must be in my drawers!

He started to go through his drawers, pulling out more stuff. He found a banana peel and he pinched his nose. There was the funny smell!

**Still no game!**

Zaid waited patiently for his friend. Amir was getting tired of searching so hard. He sat down hard on the ground, and there was a loud CRUNCH!

Amir sat down right on the adventure game! He couldn’t see it because it was covered with a shirt. Zaid started to laugh.
I guess you found your game, Amir!

Amir laughed too. "It was right here the whole time! I just couldn't see it!"

Zaid thought to himself. If Amir’s room was clean, then they would have a much better time playing. And he knew that Allah loves it when kids keep their things nice and clean.

**healthy habit**

Keep your room nice and clean, put everything in the right place, and help others do the same. This makes Allah happy.
Zaid helped Yousuf clean his room at home, because he knew sometimes he couldn’t clean it all by himself. Amir did not have any big brothers or sisters to help him.

*Zaid:* Hey Amir, you know what we should do to have more fun?

*Amir:* What?

*Zaid:* We could clean your room and then sit down on the floor to play the game! Right now I don’t think we have room.

*Amir:* I think you’re right. Let’s do it!

Amir started putting his clothes away nicely, while Zaid picked up the toys and books. They both picked up the trash and put it all in the basket. Then they made Amir’s bed, and Amir even brought a vacuum to finish up.
When they were all done, the room looked very, very nice.

**Zaid:** You have a really cool room, Amir.

**Amir:** Yes, alhamdulillah I have a nice room. I should always keep it clean. A Muslim’s room should always be clean and neat.

**Zaid:** I want to give you a gift for your room, it will make it look even better.

**Amir:** Really? What is that?

**Zaid:** A beautiful poster of Al-Ka’bah! I have two at home.

**Amir:** Jazak Allahu Khayran, Zaid. That will be great.

**Zaid:** You are welcome Amir.
Have nice Islamic posters on your room's wall. It will make your room pretty and remind you of something good.
Zaid and Amir didn’t see Amir’s mom come into the room. She was AMAZED to see such a clean room!

**Amir’s Mom:** Wow, Amir! You finally cleaned up your room! I could have cleaned it for you, but I wanted you to learn to take care of your room all by yourself. Keep it clean, and Allah will be happy with you, just like I am very happy with you!

**Amir:** Zaid helped me, Mom. Thank you, Zaid.

**Zaid:** Anytime, Amir!!!
When you go home today, make your room the cleanest and neatest in the whole house! Then help your other family members clean their rooms if they need it.

1. Why couldn’t Amir find his game?
2. Why did Zaid fall down?
3. Who was happy with Amir when his room was clean?
4. Do you think Allah was happy with Zaid for helping his friend?
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