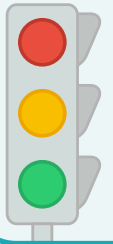


My Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم Was Mindful of His Tongue



Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Describe how my tongue can make others unsafe
- Explain why we should stay mindful of our tongues
- Demonstrate speech that pleases Allah



Key Words

Mindful

Righteous

Word - قَوْلٌ

T Thinking Starter

How can we use our tongues to make the world a better place?



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Our beloved Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم was always **mindful** of his tongue: he never lied, nor did he say hurtful words, nor did he speak about useless things. He صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

الْمُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ

“A Muslim is the one from whose tongue and hand the Muslims are safe.” (Muslim)

This means that the ‘true’ Muslim is the one who does not hurt others with his words and his actions.

Assalamu Alaykum!

I'm sorry!

Thank You!



Task 1

Complete the word search to find out how our tongue can make others feel unsafe:

Bullying

Gossip

Hurtful

Lying

Nonsense

Sarcasm

Swearing

Unkind

Useless



Sarcasm: to hurt someone using words that mean the opposite of what you really want to say. Example: to say ‘You’re so tall’ to a short person.

IT'S STORY TIME!

The Insult and The Smile

One day, our beloved Prophet ﷺ was sitting with some of his Companions. A man insulted Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه – the Prophet’s best friend. Abu Bakr remained silent and did not respond. The Prophet ﷺ watched this and smiled. The man then insulted him again, but Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه remained silent. When the man insulted him the third time, Abu Bakr responded to him with a few words. At this point, the Prophet ﷺ stood up. Abu Bakr followed him and asked him: “Were you angry with me, Messenger of Allah?”

The Prophet ﷺ replied: “There was an angel with you who came down from the heavens. He was defending you and responding on your behalf. When you responded yourself, Shaytan came – and I was not going to sit with Shaytan!”



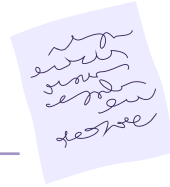
What do we learn from this story? How else can we respond to rude speech?



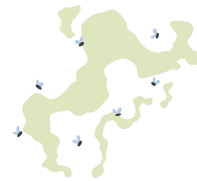
Task 2

Role play these scenarios and write down your responses.

- 1 A classmate teases you about your handwriting



- 2 Your brother calls you 'smelly'



We Can't Take Back What We Say!

Our tongue is a part of our mouth that enables us to speak. It is a blessing from Allah سبحانه و تعالى. We should only use it for **righteous** words and we definitely shouldn't use it for words that would displease Allah.

Allah سبحانه و تعالى says in the Qur'an:

مَا يَلْفِظُ مِنْ قَوْلٍ إِلَّا لَدَيْهِ رَقِيبٌ عَتِيدٌ

"He does not utter a single word, except that there is an observer with him, ready (to write it down)." (Surah Qaf: 18)

This means that everything we say is recorded by an angel.



What words have you spoken with your tongue today?

Were they recorded by the angel on the right or the angel on the left?

I am kind!





Task 3

Let's play a game: Practise each type of righteous speech below, writing down the words you speak in each box.

The first to complete wins!

(You can play this as a class or in pairs - your teacher will give you instructions.)



Doing Dhikr

Reading Qur'an

Sharing Knowledge

e.g. Smiling is sunnah.

Apologising

Being Thankful

Complimenting

Offering Help

Encouraging

Speaking Kindly

I Act On What I Learn

I will speak words that please Allah, otherwise I will remain silent.

P Progress Check



1. How can our tongues make others unsafe?

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2. Why should we stay mindful of our tongues?

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3. How can you use your tongue to please Allah?

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