

Lesson 12

Surah al-Ikhlas: Ayahs 1-2

Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Reflect on the story of Bilal رضي الله عنه

Explore how Allah is Unique

Explain Allah's Name **as-Samad**

Key Words

Say - قُل

One - أَحَدٌ

The Perfect Master - الْصَّمَدُ

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Thinking Starter

What would happen to the world if there was more than one god?



IT'S STORY TIME!

The Incredible Iman of Bilal رضي الله عنه

Bilal رضي الله عنه was one of the first to accept Islam and follow Prophet Muhammad صل الله عليه وسلم. Bilal was a slave who had a very cruel master named Umayyah ibn Khalaf. Umayyah was a staunch enemy of the Prophet صل الله عليه وسلم and was extremely furious that Bilal رضي الله عنه accepted Islam.

Umayyah would place a rope around Bilal's neck and would encourage young boys to drag him around the streets of Makkah. Despite being in extreme agony, Bilal would simply repeat, 'Ahad, Ahad'!

Umayyah did not stop there. Under the scorching summer heat, Umayyah would repeatedly drag Bilal رضي الله عنه to the desert. At mid-day, when the sun was at its hottest, he was made to lie on the sand without any clothes. Umayyah would then place huge, heavy rocks on his chest whilst beating him and would force him to abandon Islam exclaiming, 'You will stay here until you die or deny Muhammad and worship al-Lat and al-Uzza*'!

However, Bilal was strong and courageous. He did not give up. His love for Allah and His Messenger was much greater than the excruciating pain of the rocks and the scorching heat. He would remain steadfast and keep repeating the words 'Ahad, Ahad'.

* (names of the false gods the people of Makkah worshipped)



Why do you think that Bilal رضي الله عنه is a true hero?

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

	١	أَحَدٌ	اللَّهُ	هُوَ	قُلْ
(1)		the One and Only	(is) Allah	He	say
Say, He is Allah, the One and Only. (1)					

This ayah tells us about Allah's Oneness. The word **أَحَدٌ** means that Allah is the One and Only. It means that Allah is the One and Only god who we should worship and obey.

	٢	الصَّمَدُ	اللَّهُ
(2)		The Perfect Master	Allah
Allah, the Perfect Master. (2)			

Allah is as-Samad. He is the One who we all turn to for our needs. But Allah does not need anyone.

This Surah tells us our most important belief: There is only ONE True God. It teaches us that Allah is very special and unique.

Say Allah is

al-Ahad

The One and The Unique

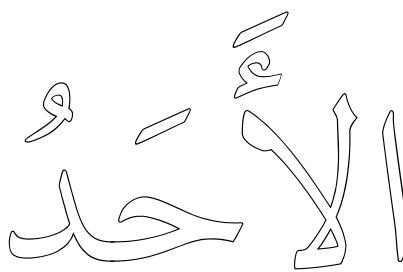
الْأَحَدُ





Task 1

Read and colour.



The One and The Unique

As-Samad

The Perfect Master

الصَّمَدُ

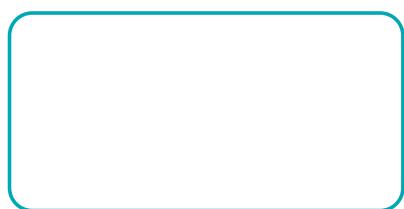
as-Samad means that:

1. Allah is the **Master**, who we all turn to for all our needs. We need Allah for everything all the time, but He does not need anyone.
2. Allah is **Everlasting**. This means that He will never die.
3. Allah is **Perfect** in every way. Everything He does is perfect.

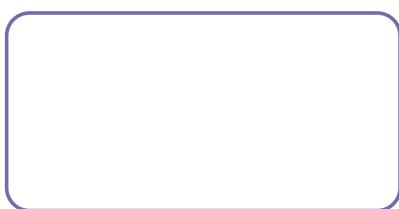


Task 2

Complete the mind-map below by writing down some things that make Allah special and unique.



ONE ALLAH





Did You Know?

Allah is as-Samad: He does not eat, drink or sleep, and He does not even need to.

الصَّمَدُ



Task 3

Maryam wants to connect to Allah's Name as-Samad.

Help her to fill in the gaps below:

angry

talk

something

cure

worship

1. I believe and _____ Allah as-Samad.
2. When I feel sad, I _____ to Allah.
3. When I want _____, I make du'a and ask Allah to give it to me.
4. When I feel _____, I ask Allah to protect me from Shaytan.
5. When I feel sick, I turn to Allah first and ask Him to _____ me.

I Act On What I Learn

Whenever I need anything, I ask Allah first!



Progress Check



1. What word did Bilal رضي الله عنه keep repeating when his master would torture him?



2. How is Allah Unique?



3. What does **as-Samad** mean?

