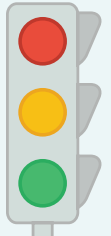


Salah Secrets 3



Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Recall the meaning of ta'awwudh and basmalah

Describe how I should recite Qur'an in salah

Identify how Allah responds to Surah al-Fatihah



Key Words

Ta'awwudh

Basmalah

Glorify

T Thinking Starter

Why do you think Shaytan wants to ruin our salah?



Ta'awwudh and Basmalah

After reciting the du'a of istiftah, we say ta'awwudh and basmalah.



In Quran & Tadabbur Level 3, we learned the meanings of ta'awwudh, basmalah and Surah al-Fatihah.



Salah is a very important **meeting with Allah**. To focus well, we need His protection from the sneaky Shaytan who tries to ruin it. Shaytan whispers to us during salah to distract us from Allah. That's why we ask Allah for protection by saying **ta'awwudh**:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

I seek protection in Allah from the cursed Shaytan.

Then, we say the **basmalah** to ask Allah to **help** us pray salah properly because we can't do it without His help:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the Name of Allah, the All-Merciful, the Very Merciful.





Task 1

There are many different styles of Arabic calligraphy (the art of beautiful writing). Trace over this one, then see if you can write it yourself.



Reciting Qur'an

Next, we recite Surah al-Fatihah and another surah or some ayahs. We should recite like our beloved Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم, who used to recite beautifully, with respect, love, and **humility**. He recited **calmly**, paused at each ayah, and **reflected deeply** on the meanings.



Task 2

Rate your recitation.

Be honest with yourself and complete the checklist below:

	Always	Sometimes	Never
Do I recite calmly?			
Do I recite with respect?			
Do I recite clearly?			
Do I think about what I'm reciting?			
Do I think about whose words I am reciting?			

What is one thing you are going to do to recite more like our beloved Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم?

Surah al-Fatihah: A Special Conversation

Did you know that Surah al-Fatihah is a special conversation with Allah? For every ayah that we recite, Allah actually responds to us. Isn't that amazing?

So how exactly does Allah respond to us? Read the special conversation below and think carefully about how Allah replies to us.



When you say:



Allah replies:



الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿٢﴾

All praises and thanks are for Allah, the Lord of all the worlds.

My servant has praised Me.

الرَّحْمَنُ الرَّحِيمُ ﴿٣﴾

The All-Merciful, The Very Merciful.

My servant has repeatedly praised Me.

مَلِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ ﴿٤﴾

Master of the Day of Judgement.

My servant has glorified Me.

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ ﴿٥﴾

You Alone we worship, and You Alone we ask for help.

This is between Me and My servant and My servant shall have what he asked for.

إِهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ ﴿٦﴾
صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ
الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ ﴿٧﴾

Guide us on the Straight Path—the path of those whom You have favoured, not of those who have earned Your anger, nor of those who have gone astray.

This is for My servant and My servant shall have what he asked for.

Glorify: to praise someone or something highly, showing great respect and importance.



Surah al-Fatihah is a du'a and Allah is saying He will accept our du'as!



Recite Surah al-Fatihah and its meaning to your partner.

The Best Surah

Surah al-Fatihah is the greatest surah of the Qur'an. In it, we praise Allah and recognise that He is our **Most Caring** Creator and **Lord**. We also realise that we are His servants, and that **worshipping Allah Alone** is our purpose in life.

Surah al-Fatihah teaches us to be careful about how we live because we will all have to answer to Allah on the **Day of Judgement**. It reminds us to ask for **Allah's help Alone**, and to always ask Him to **guide** us and keep us strong on His din.



Task 3

Practise the dialogue of Surah al-Fatihah with your partner and memorise the special conversation.



الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

Allah replies,
"My servant has
praised Me".



I Act On What I Learn

I will memorise how Allah responds to me when I recite Surah al-Fatihah during salah.



P Progress Check



1. What are ta'awudh and basmalah? What do they mean? ☐
2. How should you recite Qur'an in salah? ☐
3. How does Allah respond to you when you recite Surah al-Fatihah? ☐