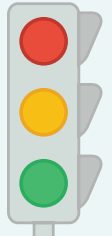


Jumu'ah: The Best Day



Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify why Jumu'ah is the best day
- Recognise the importance of Jumu'ah salah
- Reflect on the virtuous deeds of Jumu'ah



Key Words

Virtuous

Friday - يَوْمُ الْجُمُعَةِ

Sermon (khutbah) - خُطْبَةٌ

T Thinking Starter

Which day of the week do you look forward to most? Why?



The Best Day

Allah سبحانه وتعالى has made certain months and days more virtuous and important than others. Friday is the **best day of the week**: full of extra blessings and rewards. The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said: "The best of your days is Jumu'ah..." (Abu Dawud)

On this special day, we pray Jumu'ah salah. Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِذَا نُودِيَ لِلصَّلَاةِ مِنْ يَوْمِ الْجُمُعَةِ فَاسْعَوْا إِلَىٰ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَذَرُوا الْبَيْعَ ۚ ذَٰلِكُمْ خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنْتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿٩﴾

"O you who have believed, when (the adhan) is called for the prayer on the day of Jumu'ah (Friday), then proceed to the remembrance of Allah and leave trade. That is better for you, if you only knew."
(Surah al-Jumu'ah: 9)

This means that when it's time for Jumu'ah salah, we must leave whatever we're doing and attend to Jumu'ah salah. Allah promises us that it is better for us to make this effort!



Did You Know?

The day of Jumu'ah is so special that a whole surah in the Qur'an is named after it.



Task 1

Some unique events happened—and will happen—on a Friday.
Unscramble the words to discover them.

FRIDAY

Prophet Adam عليه السلام was

T D C E R A E

FRIDAY

Prophet Adam عليه السلام entered

N A N J A H

FRIDAY

Adam عليه السلام E T F L

Jannah

Left

FRIDAY

The Day of

G E M J D U T E N



Task 2

- 1 Read and role-play the storyboard on the next page.
- 2 With your partner, highlight all 13 sunnah deeds of Jumu'ah from Maryam and Musa's day.
- 3 Complete a self-evaluation. Write your score for each sunnah:

I always do this



I do this sometimes



I never do this



What's your total score?

The person with the highest score is the 'Jumu'ah Star'!



THE SUNNAH DEEDS OF JUMU'AH

MORNING

MUSA! PLEASE STOP MAKING SO MUCH NOISE!

SHHH!

SORRY MARYAM, I'M JUST LOOKING FOR MY COAT. I'M OFF TO PRAY FAJR IN THE MASJID WITH BABA.

DID YOU KNOW THAT FAJR PRAYER WITH JAMA'AH¹ ON FRIDAYS IS THE BEST PRAYER IN THE SIGHT OF ALLAH?

SUNNAH DEED NO.1

MUSA, DON'T FORGET TO SEND LOTS OF SALAWAT² TODAY!

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ.

SUNNAH DEED NO.2

MID-MORNING

YAY!

IT'S JUMU'AH! I'M GOING TO TAKE A BATH³ NOW, USE MY MISWAK⁴, AND WEAR MY BEST CLOTHES⁵, JUST LIKE THE PROPHET ﷺ DID FOR JUMU'AH.

SUNNAH DEED NO.3

SUNNAH DEED NO.4

SUNNAH DEED NO.5

BABA SAID I'M ALLOWED TO WEAR HIS SPECIAL PERFUME⁶ TODAY AFTER MY BATH. I CAN'T WAIT!

SUNNAH DEED NO.6

WHAT SURAH ARE YOU RECITING, MAMA?

SURAH AL-KAHF, DARLING. WHOEVER READS SURAH AL-KAHF⁷ ON JUMU'AH WILL HAVE A LIGHT THAT SHINES FOR HIM BETWEEN THE TWO JUMU'AHs.

SUBHANALLAH! CAN I RECITE WITH YOU?

SUNNAH DEED NO.7

EARLY AFTERNOON

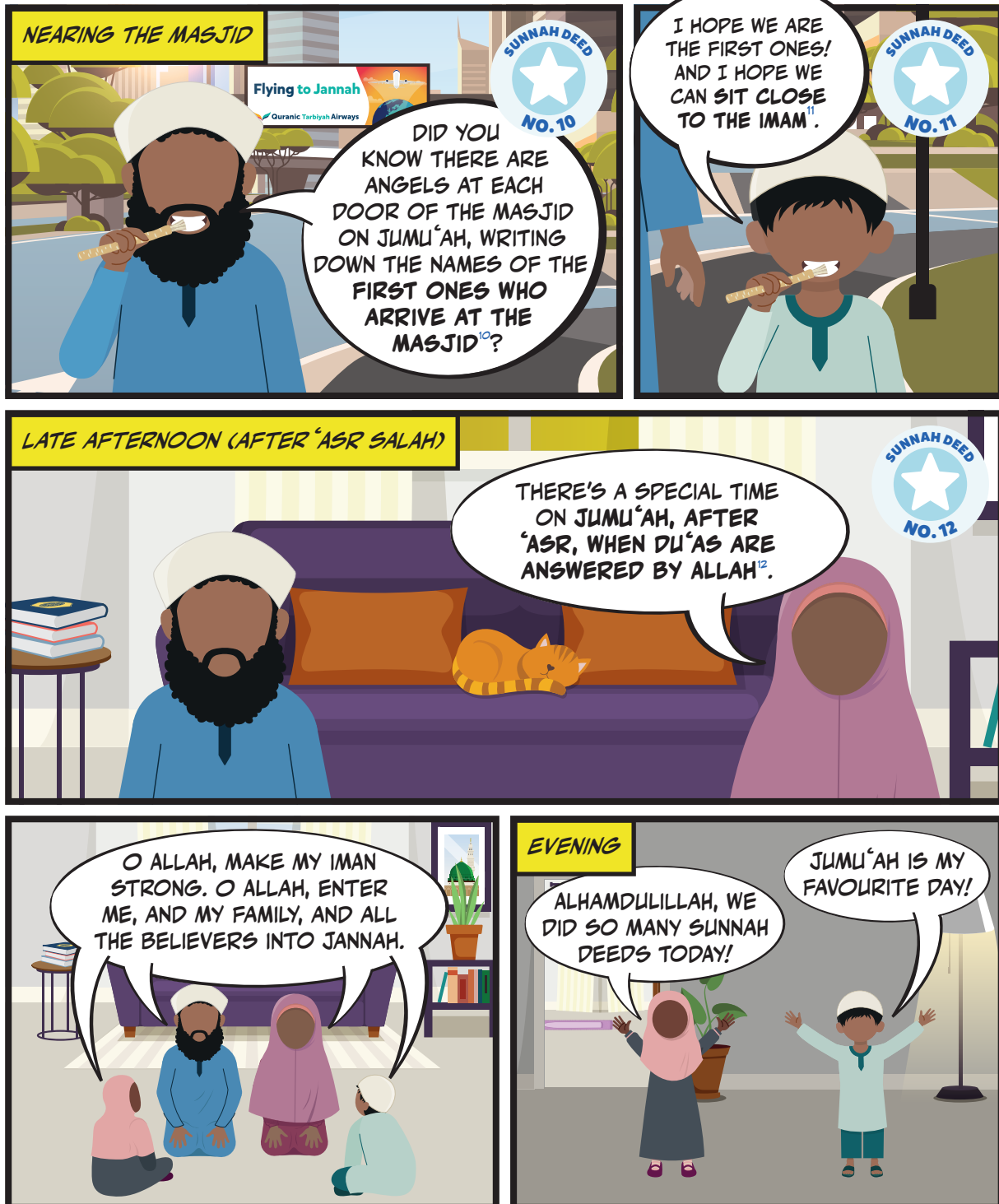
WHOEVER TAKES A COMPLETE BATH ON FRIDAY, ARRIVES AT THE MASJID EARLY, WALKS TO THE MASJID⁸, SITS CLOSE TO THE IMAM, LISTENS TO HIM ATTENTIVELY AND IS SILENT⁹, THEN EVERY STEP HE TAKES TO THE MASJID WILL BE REWARDED LIKE A WHOLE YEAR OF FASTING AND NIGHT PRAYER.

WOW!

THAT IS AMAZING! LET'S GO QUICKLY, BABA!

SUNNAH DEED NO.8

SUNNAH DEED NO.9



P Progress Check



1. Why is Jumu'ah the best day?
2. What should we do when we hear the adhan for Jumu'ah salah?
3. List 5 sunnah deeds of Jumu'ah.