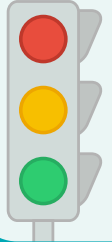


Allah's Angels



Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify the various roles of angels
- Reflect on the angels' constant praise of Allah
- Explain what angels do when they find gatherings of dhikr



Key Words

Conviction
Gatherings
Tranquillity

T Thinking Starter

Iman in angels is an essential part of iman in the ghayb (unseen).
What else might be included in 'iman in the ghayb'?



What Do Angels Do?

Iman in angels is the **2nd pillar of iman**. It means believing with **conviction (yaqin)** and certainty that angels exist. Without this belief, we cannot be Muslims. Angels are an incredible creation of Allah who always obey Him. They are beautiful and honoured by Allah.

There are many types of angels and they have different roles assigned to them. Some record our deeds and protect us. Some make special du'a for the believers, and fight alongside them and support them. Some take our souls when we die, some comfort the believers at that time, and others carry the Throne of Allah. Some are the keepers of Paradise and Hell.

Conviction: When you strongly believe something is true or right, even if others don't agree.

I am firm in my belief.



Angels Always Glorify Allah

Even though angels are huge and very powerful, they never stop praising Allah سبحانه وتعالى and worshipping Him. Allah سبحانه وتعالى says,

وَلَهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَمَنْ عِنْدَهُ لَا يَسْتَكْبِرُونَ عَنْ عِبَادَتِهِ وَلَا يَسْتَحْسِرُونَ ﴿١٩﴾ يُسَبِّحُونَ اللَّيْلَ وَالنَّهَارَ لَا يَفْتُرُونَ ﴿٢٠﴾

“To Him belong all those in the heavens and the earth. And those nearest to Him are never too proud to worship Him, nor do they grow tired (of worshipping Him). They glorify Him day and night, never wavering.” (Surah al-Anbiya:19-20)

And yet, on the Day of Judgement, the angels will look at Allah and say, “How Perfect are You! We did not worship You as You deserved to be worshipped.” This teaches us that just as angels are **humble**, we too should be humble.

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم was given permission to inform us about an angel who is so great that his feet are in the lowest earth and his neck is under the Throne of Allah. Realising the greatness of Allah, he constantly repeats, “How Perfect are You! How Magnificent are You, our Lord!” (Tabarani)

SubhanAllah!
We cannot even
imagine how great
Allah is - the One
who made the
magnificent angels.



Task 1

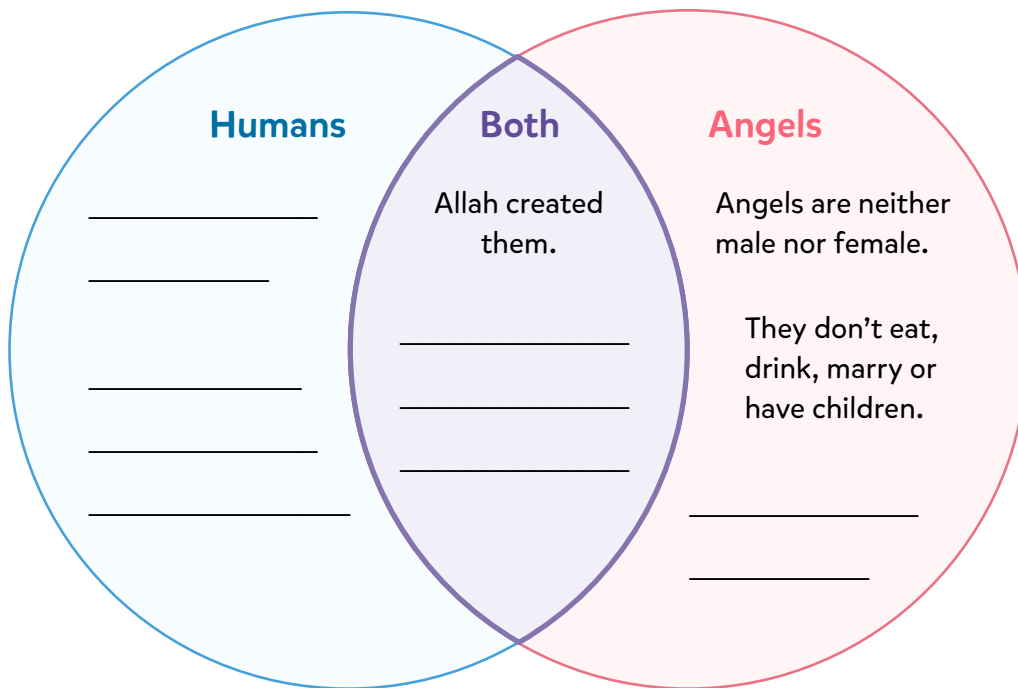
Decide if these sentences are true or false.

1. Angels are proud of their worship. _____
2. Angels get tired and they take a break on the weekend. _____
3. Angels worship Allah all the time, but they still think they have not done enough. _____
4. Angels do tasbeeh of Allah (i.e. they praise Allah and say how Perfect He is!). _____



Task 2

Complete this venn diagram by listing what humans and angels have in common and how they are different.



Gatherings of Dhikr

When you enter a masjid, isn't it so peaceful and calm? Have you ever wondered why?

When people come together to remember Allah, angels surround their gatherings and bring peace and **tranquillity** with them. Angels love masjids and pious people because they love to be surrounded by the words of Allah and His remembrance (dhikr).

There are special angels who travel the earth looking for **gatherings** of dhikr. When they find one, they join in, with their wings overlapping each other, filling the space between the earth and the first sky.



Did You Know?

Sitting together to learn about Allah's din is also a type of 'gathering of dhikr'.





Next time you are in a gathering of dhikr (including your classroom!), think of the angels who have joined you!



Task 3

Write 3 quiz questions about 'Allah's Angels'.

Then swap books with your partner, answer each other's questions, and check each other's answers.



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I Act On What I Learn

I will always praise Allah just like the angels do.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

P Progress Check



1. List four things that angels do.

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2. When do angels glorify and praise Allah?

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3. What do angels do when they find gatherings of dhikr?

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