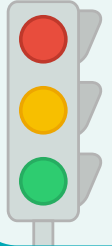


The Believers' Friends



Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify how angels support the believers
- Describe how I can be close to the angels
- Explain how angels comfort the believers at the time of death



Key Words

Assign

Successive

Close friends - أولياء



T Thinking Starter

What do angels *not* like?

Always There

The believers have a special relationship with angels. The closer you are to Allah, the stronger your bond becomes with the angels.

Before you entered this world, Allah sent an angel to blow life into you. In this world, you are never really alone. Two angels are always accompanying you: one on your right who records your good deeds, and one on your left who records your bad deeds.

Allah also **assigns** to you angels who protect you. They are like bodyguards who take care of you for free! Allah سبحانه وتعالى says, "For every person, there are **successive** angels in front and behind, protecting them by Allah's command." (Surah ar-Ra'd:11)

Assign: to give someone a job to do or something to take care of.

Successive: following one after another.



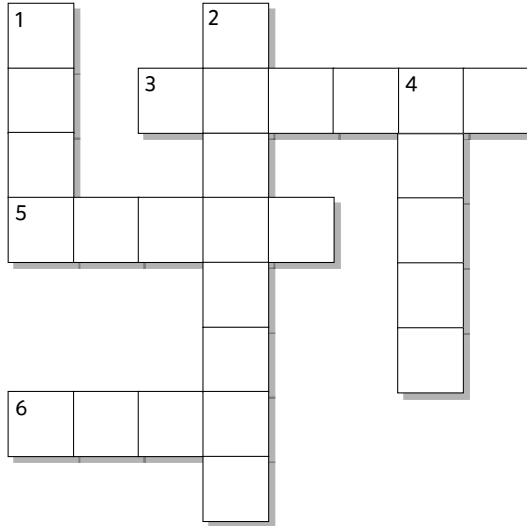


Think of the kindness of Allah al-Karim who provides us with this special type of protection.



Task 1

Complete the crossword. You can read the text on page 53 to help you.



Down:

1. A synonym/another word for 'connection'
2. English of mu'min
4. Opposite of left

Across:

3. The angels _____ your deeds
5. Another word for Shaytan in English
6. When you don't have to pay for something

Your Special Friends

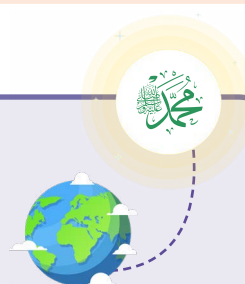
Every person has an angel assigned to them. The less you sin, the closer your angel becomes to you. This angel can become like your best friend, encouraging you to do good and reminding you of the rewards in the hereafter. The angel guides and comforts you, and even wakes you up for salah when you're sleeping!

When you recite the Qur'an, the angels gather around to listen because they love the Qur'an. When you perform salah, they stand behind you, enjoying your recitation. The angels love people who always attend the masjid and love the masjid. They also make du'a to Allah to forgive the believers.



Did You Know?

There are angels who travel around the earth, delivering the Ummah's salam to our beloved Prophet ﷺ.





Task 2

How can you make your angel your best friend?

Actions to do

- Clean my mouth with siwak after eating smelly foods (e.g. garlic).
- Keep my bedroom clean.
- _____
- _____
- _____



Actions to avoid

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____



Forever Friends

The thought of dying might seem very scary, but if you've lived a life obeying Allah, your ending will be beautiful. At the time of death, you will finally get to see the angels. They will comfort you and say:

... أَلَّا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْزَنُوا وَأَبْشِرُوا بِالْجَنَّةِ الَّتِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ ﴿٣٠﴾ نَحْنُ
أَوْلِيَاؤُكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ الدُّنْيَا وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَشْتَهُي
أَنْفُسُكُمْ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا تَدَّعُونَ ﴿٣١﴾ نَزَّلًا مِنْ غَفُورٍ رَحِيمٍ ﴿٣٢﴾

“...Do not fear, nor grieve. Rather, rejoice in the good news of Paradise, which you have been promised. We are **your close friends** in this worldly life and in the Hereafter. There you will have whatever your souls desire, and there you will have whatever you ask for: as a welcoming gift from the Most Forgiving, the Most Merciful.”

(Surah Fussilat:30-32)

And then as you enter Jannah, they will congratulate you: “Peace be upon you! Well Done! How excellent is your final home!”



Task 3

What are the benefits of iman in angels?

Match the two halves of the sentences by drawing a line.

One example has been done for you.



When I think of how...

angels record my deeds

I want to be like them.

angels protect me and make
du'a for me

I thank Allah and do more
dhikr.

angels bring blessings and
tranquillity when I remember
Allah and recite Qur'an

I realise how much more
Magnificent their Creator
must be: Allah سبحانه وتعالى!

angels always worship Allah
and praise Him

I feel safe and thank my
beloved Allah.

amazing and magnificent
angels are

I am careful of my actions and
I stay away from sins.

I Act On What I Learn

I will work hard to become best friends with the angels.



P Progress Check



1. How do angels help the believers?



2. How can you be close to the angels?



3. How do angels comfort the believers at the time of death?

