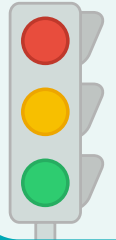


Surah al-Humazah: Part 1

 SURAH 104



Learning Objectives



In this lesson, I will:

Recognise the seriousness of backbiting and fault-finding

Identify the different methods of backbiting and fault-finding

Explain how money should not make us arrogant



Key Words

Woe - وَيْلٌ


Backbiter - هُمَزَةٌ

To think - حَسِبَ يَحْسِبُ

Thinking Starter

How can you stop a conversation politely if someone starts backbiting? What could you say or do?



	لُـمَزَةٌ	هُـمَزَةٌ	لِكُلِّ	وَيْلٌ
(1)	fault-finder	backbiter	to every	woe
Woe to every backbiter, fault-finder! (1)				

Backbiting and Fault-finding

In the first ayah, we learn that a **severe punishment** awaits those people who constantly backbite and find faults in others. Speaking badly about others behind their backs or insulting them to their faces are both serious sins.

Some of the powerful and wealthy disbelievers of Makkah would mock the Messenger of Allah ﷺ and the Muslims. They would insult them and laugh at them. Surah al-Humazah warns us that those who insult Allah's din and the believers will face a horrific punishment in the hereafter.

وَيْلٌ

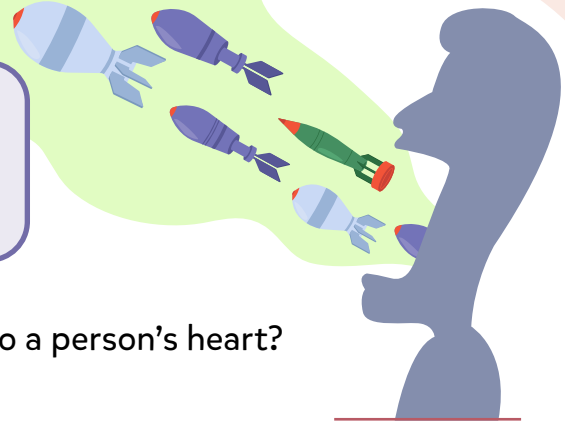


This is a strong word of warning. It means destruction, loss, or something that will cause a lot of pain and regret.



Did You Know?

Making fun of any aspect of din is one of the worst sins!



What does backbiting and fault-finding do to a person's heart?



Task 1

The Qur'an teaches us to respect people and not hurt them with our words or actions.

Cross out the words that describe the هُمَزَة and لُمَزَة.



Mocking

Respecting

Backbiting

Comforting

Slandering

Fault-finding

Encouraging

Loving

Criticising

Insulting

Appreciating

Supporting



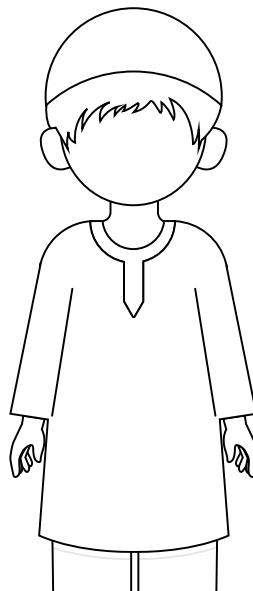
Task 2

Write an example of how you can backbite or insult someone with your:

Mouth

Hands

Eyes



Money, Money, Money



٢	وَعَدَّدَهُو	مَالًا	جَمَعَ	الَّذِي
(2)	and counted it	wealth	has gathered	who
Who gathers wealth and counts it. (2)				

In the second ayah, Allah describes this person as someone who is busy earning money and collecting it. Making money becomes his main goal in life. He loves money so much that he keeps counting it over and over. He is greedy and does not spend it on good causes.



٣	أَخْلَدَهُو	مَالَهُو	أَنَّ	يَحْسَبُ
(3)	will make him live forever	his wealth	that	he thinks
He thinks that his wealth will make him live forever. (3)				

In the third ayah, Allah explains that this person foolishly believes that his money can protect him from death and make him live forever. This is why he works so hard to gather as much wealth as possible.

This person's wealth makes him proud and arrogant, causing him to backbite and hurt others.



There is nothing wrong with earning money, but it comes with responsibilities. Money should never make you forget the real reason why Allah created you. It shouldn't make you arrogant or selfish.



What are some of our responsibilities towards the money Allah gives us?

You may have more money than others, but this does not make you better than them.



Task 3

Finish off the story.

It was a typical morning in class, and everyone was settling into their seats. I noticed Sami glance at Jamal as he walked in, wearing his uniform with patches on the elbows. With a sneer, Sami said, "Wow, Jamal, your uniform looks older than the school!" A few kids chuckled, and Jamal's face turned as red as a tomato. He hurried to his seat, eyes welling with tears and fixed on the floor, avoiding everyone's gaze.

I knew I had to say or do something.

I Act On What I Learn

I will not backbite others or insult them.

P Progress Check



1. What will happen to the fault-finding backbiter?

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2. How can you backbite and insult someone with your eyes or hands?

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3. Is a rich person better than a poor person? Why not?

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