

The Ummah Readers Challenge

Primary Reading List



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Quranic Tarbiyah does not necessarily agree with or endorse all of the content found in these books. We strongly encourage parents, school librarians, and teachers to read the books themselves and determine whether they are suitable for their children and students. We also encourage adults to discuss the books with children and help nurture a **dīn-based critical lens**, enabling them to engage thoughtfully with what they read and develop a Qur'anic worldview.

Each year features six recommended books. These are intended as a helpful starting point for those who may not be able to purchase all the books, providing a selection that may be a good choice. Educators are also welcome to select six books of their own and do not need to follow these recommendations.

The recommended age is a guide only and can vary depending on the child's reading level and maturity.

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Featured titles are highlighted.

YEAR ONE

AGE 5-6

- Colours of Al Quds by Jenny Molendyk Divleli
- The Masjid Kamal Loves by Ashley Franklin
- Mimi and Unicorn Get to Know Allah by Zanib Mian
- My Big Feelings by Kareema Toutounji & Ahmed Tebaa
- There was an Old Auntie who Swallowed a Samosa by Asmaa Hussein
- My First Book Series Box Set by Sara Khan
- Bilal's Bad Day by Neelum Khan
- The Book Mama Reads by Saima Yacoob
- Ibraheem's Perfect Eid by Farhana Islam
- The Month That Makes the Year by Inda Ahmad Zahri
- Dear Muslim Child by Rahma Rodaah
- Zain's Super Friday by Hena Khan
- What If Dinosaurs Were Muslim? by Rabia Bashir
- Ramadan Kareem by M. O. Yuksel
- The Green Dinosaur Umbrella by Amina Banawan
- Mommy's Khimar by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow
- I Speak Kind Words by Kareema Toutounji & Ahmed Teba
- Street Puppy, Masjid Cat by Moniza Hussain
- Here's Our Religion by Jenny Molendyk Divleli
- My First Heroes: 12 Books Collection by Reem & Marium Rahman

YEAR TWO

AGE 6-7

- Salat in Secret by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow
- The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad/SK Ali
- Hassan Attends a Janazah by Shabana Hussain
- Saif's Special Patches by Humera Malik
- My Garden Over Gaza by Sarah Musa
- Miracles of the Prophets by Learning Roots

- Salim's Soccer Ball by Tala el-Fahmawi
- Sister Friend by Jamila Thompkins-Bigelow
- Abdul's Story by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow
- In My Mosque by M. O. Yuksel
- Let It Go by Na'ima B Robert
- The Miracles of Muhammad by Learning Roots
- Sitti's Key by Sahar Khader Ali
- All the Ways to be Pretty by Shamaila Khan
- Dear Prophet Muhammad by Jenny Molendyk
- Room for Everyone by Naaz Khan
- Everything Grows in Jiddo's Garden by Jenan Matari

YEAR THREE

AGE 7-8

- Eliyas Explains Salah by Zanib Mian
- My Prophet Muhammad by Learning Roots
- Migo and Ali: Love for the Prophets by Zanib Mian
- A Map for Falasteen by Maysa Odeh
- Sadiq and the Ramadan Gift by Siman Nuurali
- Super Stories of the Prophets by Learning Roots
- The Grand Mosque of Paris by Kaerm Gray Ruelle and Deborah Durland deSaix
- Hidden Secrets by Mariyam Azam
- One Wish by M. O. Yuksel
- Are Butterflies in the Qur'an? by Mariyam Azam
- The Prince of Stars by M. O. Yuksel
- Seven is Special! by Shagufta Malik
- Muzoon: From Refugee to Leader by Muzoon Almelahan
- Sumaya Solves the Woodpecker Problem by Aisha Ahmed
- Sadiq and the Green Thumb by Siman Nuurali
- Homeland: My Father Dreams of Palestine by Hannah Moushabeck
- Malcolm X in Gaza: A Colouring Book by Nathi Ngubane
- Rashid and the Missing Body by Hassan Radwan

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YEAR FOUR

AGE 8-9

- Amina Banana and the Formula for Friendship by Shifa Saltagi Safadi
- Planet Omar 1: Accidental Trouble Magnet by Zanib Mian
- Mayhem Mission by Burhana Islam
- Elias Explains Prophet Muhammad by Zanib Mian
- Huda and Me by H. Hayek
- The Misadventures of Mina Mahmood by Farhana Islam
- Elias Explains Miracles by Zanib Mian
- Elias Explains the Angels by Zanib Mian
- Amina Banana and the Formula for Winning by Shifa Saltagi Safadi
- Planet Omar 2: Unexpected Super Spy by Zanib Mian
- Anisa's International Day by Reem Faruqi
- Zara's Rules for Finding Hidden Treasure by Hena Khan
- Madrassah Mysteries: The Great Gerbil Escape by Zanib Mian
- Shining Hearts – Sahabah Stories for Kids by Mariam Uqaili
- Heroes of Al-Aqsa - set of 5 books by Abu Huzayfa
- Defenders of Al-Aqsa - set of 3 books by Abu Huzayfa
- I Wonder About Allah: Book One by Ozkan Oze
- Meet the Maliks Twin Detectives: Race to the Rescue by Zanib Mian
- Connecting with Allah: A Treasury of Poems by Mona Zac

YEAR FIVE

AGE 9-10

- Huda was Here by H. Hayek
- The Dastardly Duo by Burhana Islam
- The Simple Seerah - Part 1 by Asim Khan
- The House of Ibn Kathir : The Competition Begins... by S.N Jalali
- The Boy At the Back of the Class by Onjali Rauf
- Auntie Aisha Answers by Aisha Hussain Rasheed

- Stories of the Sahabah by Umm Haneefa
- Stuck in the Middle by Sumayyah Hussein
- Pushed to the Back by Sumayyah Hussein
- The Amazing Muslim World by Learning Roots
- Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga
- Sabrena Swept Away by Karuna Riazi
- The Simple Seerah - Part 2 by Asim Khan
- A Bit of Earth by Karuna Riazi
- A Muslim Girl's Guide to Life's Big Changes by Rayhana Khan
- I Wonder About Qur'an by Ozkan Oze
- The Star Outside my Window by Onjali Rauf
- Game Changers by Charlene Smith

YEAR SIX

AGE 10-11

- Safiyyah's War by Hiba Noor Khan
- How to Free a Jinn by Raidah Shah Idil
- War Reporter by Muhammad Najem and Nora Neus
- Bhai for Now by Maleeha Siddiqui
- The Story of Imam Bukhari by Learning Roots
- The House Of Ibn Kathir - Year Captain by S.N Jalali
- Kareem Between by Shifa Safadi Saltagi
- Kicked Out by A. M. Dassu
- Escape from Syria by Samya Kullab
- Khadijah: The Story of Islam's First Lady by Fatima Barkatulla
- The Simple Seerah: Part 3 by Asim Khan
- Muslimah Mukallaf: The Muslimahs Guide to Puberty, Faith, and Personal Care by Jenna Bint Hakeem
- A Muslim Boy's Guide to Life's Big Changes by Sami Khan
- Welcome to Nowhere by Elizabeth Laird
- A Place at the Table by Saadia Faruqi and Laura Shovan
- I Wonder About Allah: Book Two by Ozkan Oze
- The Night Bus Hero by Onjali Rauf
- The Lion Above the Door by Onjali Rauf
- Prince Among Slaves by N. H. Senzai