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# About Quranic Tarbiyah

## Vision

A generation guided by revelation and grounded in reality who carry forward the legacy of the Prophets ﷺ.

## Mission

To develop Qur'ān-centred curricula and resources, support murabbīs, and cultivate transformative learning environments.

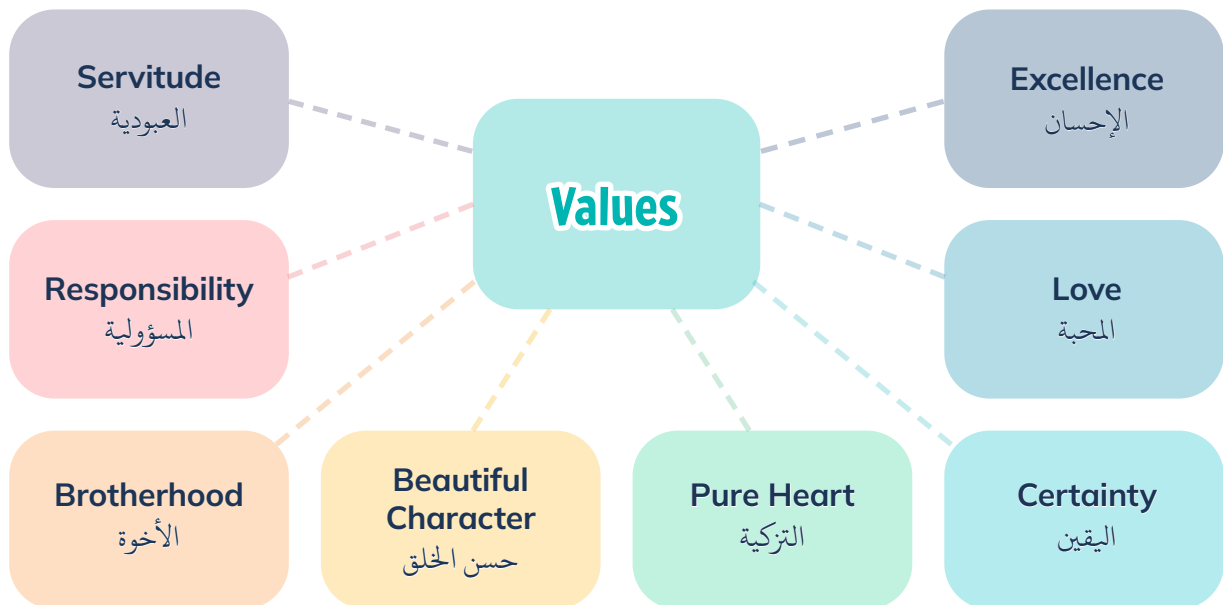
## Aims & Objectives

We want every educator and learner to:

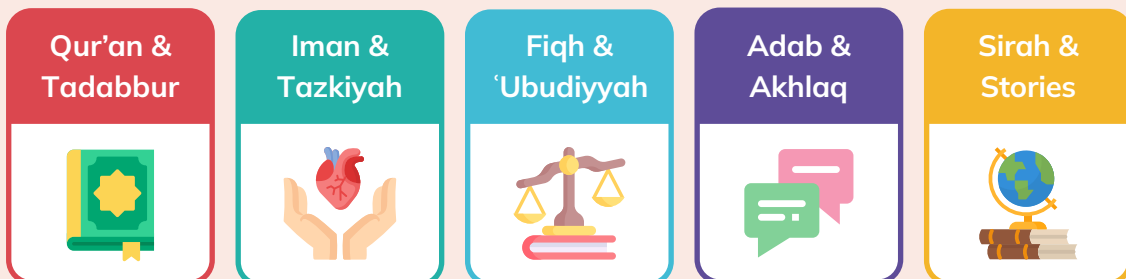
1. Develop a deep awareness of Allah, love Him and honour Him.
2. Recognise their purpose in life (i.e. 'ubūdiyyah: servitude), and worship Allah ﷻ with baṣīrah (clear proof and certainty).
3. Constantly strive to strengthen their īmān and yaqīn (conviction).
4. Love the Messenger ﷺ, and embody his sunnah and character.
5. Become 'people of the Qur'ān' through reflecting and living by it.
6. Constantly strive to attain a pure heart (tazkiyah) and attain iḥsān.
7. Know the legal rulings of all necessary aspects of life (fiqh) alongside their inner dimensions, in order to taste the sweetness of worship.
8. Be confident in their dīn and feel deeply connected to and proud of their heritage and history.
9. Develop a love of lifelong learning and a passion to serve the dīn of Allah.
10. Be well-equipped to deal with personal, local and global challenges, and become beacons of justice and mercy for the entire world.

لَقَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِذْ بَعَثَ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْ أَنفُسِهِمْ يَتْلُوا  
عَلَيْهِمْ ءَايَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَإِن كَانُوا مِن  
قَبْلُ لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿١٦٤﴾

“Indeed, Allah bestowed a favour on the believers when He raised in their midst a Messenger from among themselves—who **recites to them His verses, purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom**. For indeed they had previously been clearly astray” (Surah Aal ‘Imrān:164).



## The 5 Key Areas of the Quranic Tarbiyah Curriculum



# Qur'an & Tadabbur

## Aims of Qur'an & Tadabbur Lessons

1

To love the Qur'an, honour it, and appreciate its importance

2

To learn the meanings of the Qur'an and reflect on them

3

To 'live' the Qur'an and become from the People of the Qur'an

4

To recite the Qur'an accurately and memorise it

5

To recognise the ultimate authority of the Qur'an

The Qur'an is the eternal book of guidance. It is a light which illuminates the path of truth amidst the darkneses of falsehood. The Qur'an contains legal rulings for a human to live on Allah's earth, as His subservient slaves. It is a book of blessings and eternal wisdom; a warner and a giver of good news. It is a cure for every disease – be it spiritual or physical.

The Qur'an was the manual that the Prophet ﷺ used to raise and nurture the best of generations — a generation characterised by unwavering īmān, a deep love for Allah and His Messenger ﷺ and the pursuit of iḥsān. The Qur'an transformed their hearts, minds, characters and their entire lives.

This did not happen overnight. In fact, the Qur'an was revealed over a period of 23 years to allow the companions to understand, internalise and shape their character according to it. Abū 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Sulamī رحمه الله said: "Those who used to teach us the Qur'an — such as 'Uthmān b. 'Affān and 'Abdullah b. Mas'ūd رحمه الله etc — told us that when they learned ten verses from the Prophet ﷺ, they would not move on from them until they had learned the knowledge and actions contained within them." They said: **"So we learned the Qur'an, knowledge, and action all together."**

Sometimes, we only focus on making our children memorise the Qur'an or perfect their tajwīd, but we neglect to inspire and teach them the message and the meanings of the Qur'an. Al-Ḥasan al-Baṣrī رحمه الله said, "Certainly, slaves and children recite the Qur'an and they have no knowledge of its meaning. **They memorised its letters but neglected its commands**, to the extent that one of them will say, "By Allah, I have recited the entire Qur'an without missing out on any letter." By Allah, he has missed out on all of it! **For there is no effect of the Qur'an on his character and actions.** By Allah, it is not about memorising its letters, and then neglecting its commands!"

The number of companions who memorised the Qur'an was not high in number, yet they all lived and breathed the Qur'an. Their primary concern was to put into practice what they had learned. 'Abdullāh b. Mas'ūd رحمه الله said, "Memorising the words of the Qur'an is difficult for us, but acting upon it is easy for us. As for those who come after us, memorising the Qur'an will be easy for them, but acting upon it will be difficult for them."

## Strengthening Iman through the Qur'ān

Allah ﷻ says, “Certainly the believers are those whose hearts tremble at the remembrance of Allah, **whose faith increases when His verses are recited to them**, and who put their trust in their Lord” (8:2).

One of the key aims of the Qur'ān lessons should be to increase our īmān through it. Jundub b. 'Abdillāh ؓ said, “We were with the Prophet ﷺ and we were young men, nearing puberty. We learnt īmān before we learnt Qur'ān. Then we learnt Qur'ān, and increased our īmān through it” (Ibn Mājah).

It is vital that before we teach the dos and don'ts of Islam, we instil in our children the knowledge, love, and reverence of Allah ﷻ. Once they know the Command Giver, the commands will become easy to follow. We learn this from the sīrah and the Qur'ān itself. During the 13 years in Makkah, the Prophet ﷺ instilled īmān in the hearts of the Companions ؓ; very few legal rulings were revealed and instead the focus was on: (1) The Oneness of Allah (2) Prophethood (3) The Hereafter.

'Ā'ishah ؓ said, “Indeed the first verses to be revealed were from the shorter chapters at the end of the Qur'ān which contain the mention of Paradise and Hellfire. **When the people were firmly established upon Islam, the verses of halal and haram were revealed.** If the first verse to be revealed was ‘do not drink wine,’ they would have said, ‘we will never stop drinking wine.’ And if the first verse to be revealed was ‘do not commit adultery,’ they would have said, ‘we will never stop committing adultery’” (Bukhārī).

## Tadabbur

One of the aims of the Qur'ān lessons is that children are ultimately inspired and equipped with the skills over the years to do tadabbur (reflection) of the Qur'ān. Tadabbur is the key to knowledge and all sciences. It is the means of attaining closeness to Allah, and the key to tasting the sweetness of recitation and Ṣalāh.



# About This Book



'Qur'an & Tadabbur Level 5' is designed to connect young hearts to the Book of Allah in an engaging, interactive, and meaningful way. It includes 25 lessons divided into three sections:

**Lessons 1-7** focus on nurturing a stronger connection with the Qur'ān and exploring the relationship of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and his Companions with the Book of Allah.

**Lessons 8-15** cover **Sūrah al-Zalzalah** to **Sūrah al-Takāthur**.

**Lessons 16-25** explore key verses and stories from **Sūrah al-Baqarah**.

This book is primarily designed for Year 5 students (**ages 9-10**) but can also benefit older learners. We highly recommend using it as a follow-up to the previous level, though it can also be used as a standalone resource with educator support.

## Guidance for Educators:

- Adapt lessons to make them as **engaging** and **relevant** as possible, integrating physical and craft activities where feasible, to enhance the learning experience.
- Narrate the stories in a creative and captivating manner to bring the content to life and increase impact.
- As children mature, hold them to a higher standard and encourage them to develop discipline, especially in their ṣalāh and Qur'ān recitation.
- Review previously learned surahs, particularly **Sūrah al-Fatihah** and the **last three sūrahs**, as the children should now be punctual with their ṣalāh.
- Every learner and learning environment is unique. Whilst we highly encourage the memorisation of sūrah translations, and provide activities to support this, learners should **not be pressured to memorise** unless they are able to do so. The primary goal is for learners to enjoy their learning experience and **develop positive associations** with the Qur'ān.
- Consider setting a **Sūrah al-Baqarah Challenge** at the beginning of the year and inform students that awards will be given at the end of the year. Encourage them consistently throughout the year. Students who memorise the sūrah in full can be recognised and awarded in the **Sūrah al-Baqarah Assembly** (see LLWA 3).

# How To Use This Book

## Learning Objectives

The key aims and outcomes of the lesson are clearly listed at the beginning of the lesson. A traffic light system helps outline the differentiated learning outcomes.

- On your mark! - This is a **beginner** level objective which all learners should be able to access and engage with.
- Get set! - This is an **intermediate** level objective and task which all learners should be able to take part in, although some learners may need extra support.
- Go! - This is the **advanced** or higher-order objective that most learners will be able to engage with to some level, although some learners may need support to express their ideas in writing.

## Thinking Starters

Educators are encouraged to write the question on the board before the start of the lesson. As learners walk into the classroom, they should start to think about the question or discuss it with a peer. Learners do not need to write down the answer. It will be used to set the scene for the lesson.

## It's Story Time!

Educators should read the story before the lesson, and narrate it within the lesson to the learners in an engaging manner (using facial expressions, hand gestures, change in tone of voice, asking questions etc).

## Key Words

The key words will develop student literacy and expand their vocabulary. Educators are encouraged to do spelling tests and play word games with their class once a week/every 2 weeks to assess learning.

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Lesson 6

### 'Abdullah Ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه: A Qur'an Champion

**Learning Objectives**

In this lesson, I will:

- Describe 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه
- Explain why 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud was a Qur'an champion
- Reflect on how I can be like 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه

**Key Words**

Exemplary  
Generation  
Insight

**GOOD**

T

**Thinking Starter**

How does the Qur'an make you a better person?

IT'S STORY TIME!

#### The Honest Boy Honoured by Allah

'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud was a young boy who looked after animals for a wealthy man in Makkah.

One day, while tending to the goats, two thirsty men asked him, "Can you milk a sheep for us?" 'Abdullah replied that he couldn't as he was entrusted with them and he didn't own them.

Then one of the men asked for a goat that didn't give milk. 'Abdullah was confused but brought him a milk-less goat. The man touched it, and suddenly milk began to flow from the goat's udders, even though it had never given milk before! They all drank from it.

Later, he found out the man was Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and the man with him was Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه!

Amazed by this miracle, 'Abdullah went to the Prophet ﷺ and said, "O Messenger of Allah, teach me from this Qur'an." The Prophet ﷺ gently wiped his head and made a special du'a for him.

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Lesson 6

Quranic Tarbiyah

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Surah al-Baqarah contains the best ayah in the Qur'an. Do you know what it's called?  
Hint: it should be recited every morning and night, and after every salah

Task 2

Write questions for the answers below.

Q \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
A Surah al-Baqarah

Q \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
A Submission to Allah and building a strong Ummah.

The First Verses

Surah al-Baqarah begins by introducing the incredible Book we're reciting.  
Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

الَمْ ذَلِكَ الْكِتَابُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ

Challenge

Learners can boost their level of understanding if they have extra time available.

Tasks

There are accompanying tasks in each lesson for reinforcement and practical application. Learners can do these individually, in pairs or in groups. Educators can collect the books to mark the learners' work, or go through the answers orally together as a class.

The Secret to True Happiness

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ قَدْ جَاءَكُمْ مَوْعِظَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ  
وَشِفَاءٌ لِّمَا فِي الصُّدُورِ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

"O people! Indeed, there has come to you advice from your Lord, a cure for what is in the hearts, and guidance and mercy for the believers." (Surah Yunus:57)



How is the Qur'an described in this ayah? Can you think of an example for each description?

In the next ayah, Allah says:

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِّمَّا يَجْمَعُونَ

"Say, (O Prophet,) 'In Allah's grace and mercy, let them feel happy. That is far better than whatever (wealth) they gather.'" (Surah Yunus:58)

Discuss

Learners should talk about what they understand with their educator or peers.



## Think and Reflect

Learners should self-reflect and share their reflections with their educator or their peers. Answers do not need to be written down.

### Every Little Counts

|            |          |           |         |         |                |
|------------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------------|
| قَمَنْ     | يَعْمَلُ | مِثْقَالَ | ذَرَّةٍ | خَيْرًا | يَرَهُ         |
| so whoever | does     | weight    | atom    | good    | he will see it |

So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it. (7)

Whatever good a person has done in this world, they will see it. Even the tiniest good deed is recorded and will be shown. Nothing will be left out. Allah is so appreciative!

Even though Surah az-Zalzalah can feel scary, this ayah gives **hope**, because every tiny good deed counts with Allah!

What is one tiny good deed you did this week that no one saw?

|            |          |           |         |        |                |
|------------|----------|-----------|---------|--------|----------------|
| وَمَنْ     | يَعْمَلْ | مِثْقَالَ | ذَرَّةٍ | شَرًّا | يَرَهُ         |
| so whoever | does     | weight    | atom    | evil   | he will see it |

And whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it. (8)

## I Act On What I Learn

This is an important part of the lesson where the learners can transform their learning to action. The teacher should follow up in the next lesson by asking them if they managed to act upon the prompt.

### I Act On What I Learn

I will learn my din so I can benefit the Ummah, just like 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها.

### Progress Check

- What subjects and skills was 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها really good at?
- How did 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها become an exceptional scholar of the Qur'an?
- How did 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها 'live' the Qur'an?

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## Progress Check

Educators should end the lesson by reviewing the learning objectives and using a plenary. At the end of every lesson, learners should check which learning objectives they learnt and understood, and clearly identify what they don't know. The educator can do a quiz, test or even play a game with the class using these evaluation questions. Learners can write the answers or just say the answers verbally to the educator.



Have you ever wondered why your mum always reminds you to **recite Ayat al-Kursi** before going to sleep? You're in the right place!

...and why is the longest surah in the Qur'an called "**The Cow**"?

As-salamu ‘alaykum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh, dear friends!

Welcome back! Can you believe we’ve reached Level 5?  
Alhamdulillah.

In this level, we’ll continue discovering why the Qur’an is so amazing. You’ll meet even more epic **Qur’an champions**, including the most incredible of all, our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, to whom the Qur’an was revealed. You’ll also get to play a really fun game, inshaAllah.

We’ll learn **lots of new Qur’anic words** and continue our journey through more surahs.

We hope you enjoy this level just as much as we do!

With lots of love and du‘as,

The Twins: *Maryam* & *Musa*

*P.S You’re going to meet our epic Grandma!*



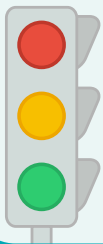
Lesson 1

# The Qur'an: My Greatest Gift



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify why the Qur'an is very special
- Reflect on how I can strengthen my bond with the Qur'an
- Explain why we should feel very happy with the Qur'an



## Key Words

Advice - مَوْعِظَةٌ

Mercy - رَحْمَةٌ

To be happy - فَرِحَ يَفْرَحُ

## T Thinking Starter

What's your favourite surah? Why?

النِّصْرَةِ

النَّاسِ

الْعَصْرِ

الْفَاتِحَةِ

الْإِخْلَاصِ

الْفَيْلَقِ



## Task 1

Discuss and answer the following questions with a classmate.

**WHAT**  
is the Qur'an?

**QUR'AN**

**HOW**  
was it revealed?

**WHY**  
was it revealed?

**WHEN**  
was it revealed?

**WHO**  
was it revealed to?



## Task 2

Maryam is the editor for her school's Quranic Tarbiyah magazine. This month, she is interviewing her grandma as part of the Qur'an Champion series.

Act out the interview, then answer the questions.



QUR'AN CHAMPIONS

# My Greatest Gift

Our Editor-in-Chief, Maryam, interviews her grandmother, Umm Muhammad, who has memorised the entire Qur'an.



**Maryam:** Bismillah. Thank you for letting me interview you, Grandma! I'm going to jump right in with the first question. I've heard you say, 'My greatest gift is the Qur'an.' What do you mean by that?

**Grandma:** There's nothing like the Qur'an. It reminds me of what truly matters. It reminds me of Allah سبحانه وتعالى and Jannah. As you know, Maryam, I've faced many tests in my life, and nothing has given me more comfort than the Qur'an. When I recite it, I feel so much peace and happiness in my heart. The Qur'an is my life.

**Maryam:** I think it's so awesome that you're always reciting the Qur'an, even when you're cooking the yummy food you make! When did you memorise the Qur'an?

**Grandma:** When I was your age, no one really encouraged us to memorise. As I grew older, I met other women who had memorised it so I started making du'a. When your Baba and your aunts were young, Shaykhah Halah started a Qur'an halaqah in Masjid ash-Shafi'i so I joined it. Along with memorisation, she would explain the tafsir to us and we would reflect on the verses.

**Maryam:** Was memorising difficult?

**Grandma:** Yes, sometimes. It took me six years, but I always reminded myself that the Qur'an is the special words of the Lord of the heavens and the earth! Each time I would find it challenging, I would turn to Him and ask Him for help, and He would make it easy for me.

**Maryam:** What's the best thing about having a strong connection with the Qur'an?

**Grandma:** Only Allah knows what is in our hearts. May He accept all our good deeds and forgive our bad ones. The best part is being able to recite it in tahajjud. I can't describe the feeling of reciting, reflecting, and speaking to my Creator at that special time.

**Maryam:** That sounds hard... but amazing! What's your favourite surah?

**Grandma:** They're all so beautiful, so it changes all the time! Right now, it's Surah al-Buruj. I've been reading about it and reflecting on it. Sometimes listening to what is happening to our brothers and sisters across the Ummah makes me feel very sad. I recite Surah al-Buruj and it gives me so much hope and strength.

**Maryam:** Last question. Who's your favourite grandchild?

**Grandma (laughing):** Nice try! I love you all very much. Each of you has something special Allah has given you. I make du'a for you in my sujud every day.

**Maryam:** Do you have any advice for our readers?

**Grandma:** Many young people are confused about what's right and wrong. The Qur'an is the best guide. Love it and live by it. Make it your best friend. The more time you spend with it, the more you'll love it, enjoy its company, and discover its amazing secrets.

★ If you could ask Grandma one more question, **what would it be?**

★ Grandma worked hard to memorise the Qur'an even when it was challenging. **What is one Qur'an-related goal you want to set for yourself, and how will you stay motivated like she did?**

## The Secret to True Happiness

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

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وَشِفَاءٌ لِمَا فِي الصُّدُورِ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

“O people! Indeed, there has come to you advice from your Lord, a cure for what is in the hearts, and guidance and mercy for the believers.” (Surah Yunus:57)



How is the Qur'an described in this ayah? Can you think of an example for each description?

In the next ayah, Allah says:

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِمَّا يَجْمَعُونَ

“Say, (O Prophet,) ‘In Allah’s grace and mercy, let them feel happy. That is far better than whatever (wealth) they gather.’” (Surah Yunus:58)

In this ayah, Allah is telling us that we should **feel very happy** with the Qur'an and Islam. The Qur'an is better than everything else – better than our toys, games, gadgets, money, or fancy cars! The more we recite it and act upon it, the more blessings and gifts we will receive from Allah.



### Did You Know?

Being happy with the Qur'an is a great act of worship!



Thank you Allah for the Qur'an!

The Qur'an is the secret to **true happiness**, not just short-term fun but **eternal happiness** in the Hereafter. It fills our hearts with peace and contentment. Everything in it is for our own good. Allah, the Most Loving, sent it to guide and help us.



### Task 3

Write a poem about the Qur'an. Be creative! You can write a rhyming poem, an acrostic poem, or any style you like.




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### I Act On What I Learn

I will strengthen my bond with the Qur'an by

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### P Progress Check



1. Why is the Qur'an very special?
2. How can you strengthen your bond with the Qur'an?
3. Why should you feel very happy with the Qur'an?

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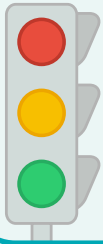
Lesson 2

# Learning the Qur'an



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Identify what the Prophet ﷺ said about learning the Qur'an

Explore the importance of learning Arabic

Discuss the importance of learning tafsir



## Key Words

Luxury

To understand - عَقَلَ يَعْقِلُ

Mufasssir - مُفَسِّرٌ

## T Thinking Starter

Imagine if you could 'read' Chinese fluently but had no idea what it meant. How would that feel?



## Learning the Qur'an Is Amazing!

One day, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ came out to the Companions who were sitting in as-Suffah. As-Suffah was a shaded area in the Prophet's Masjid where the poor Companions would live. He asked them, "Who among you would like to go out every morning to the valley of But-han or al-'Aqiq\* and return with **two large, hump-backed she-camels**, without committing sin or breaking family ties?"



*A large fine she-camel was a very expensive possession to have. It would be like having a very expensive car. Imagine waking up one day, going to the car showroom and getting a **luxury** car for free without stealing it or doing something wrong to get it! Wouldn't that be amazing?*

The Companions thought the same too. So they replied: "O Messenger of Allah, we would all love that!"

He ﷺ then told them: "Then he should go to the masjid and **learn or recite two verses** from the Book of Allah; that is better for him **than two camels**. And three verses are better than three camels; and four are better than four camels; and so on according to the number of verses."

The Prophet ﷺ reminded them that the Qur'an was even more precious!

*Learning one ayah is better than a free luxury car!*

\*These were two places outside Madinah where camels would be sold.







## Task 1

Design a Qur'an-themed bookmark with a quote or sentence that motivates you to continue learning the Qur'an.



## Learning the Language of the Qur'an

Allah سبحانه وتعالى chose Arabic as the language of the Qur'an, His final and most perfect message. Allah says:

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَاهُ قُرْءَانًا عَرَبِيًّا لَّعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ ﴿٣﴾

“Certainly, We have made it a Qur'an in Arabic so that you may understand.” (Surah az-Zukhruf:3)

Learning Arabic is an **act of worship**. If we truly want to be **people of the Qur'an and understand our din deeply**, we must make the effort to learn Arabic. We also speak to Allah in Arabic during **salah**.



How can learning Arabic help you improve your salah?

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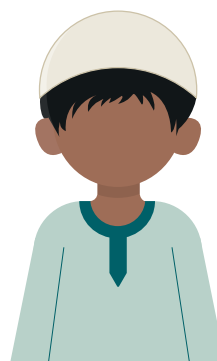
The Arabic language is the symbol of Islam and Muslims. It is the language that **unites the Ummah**.



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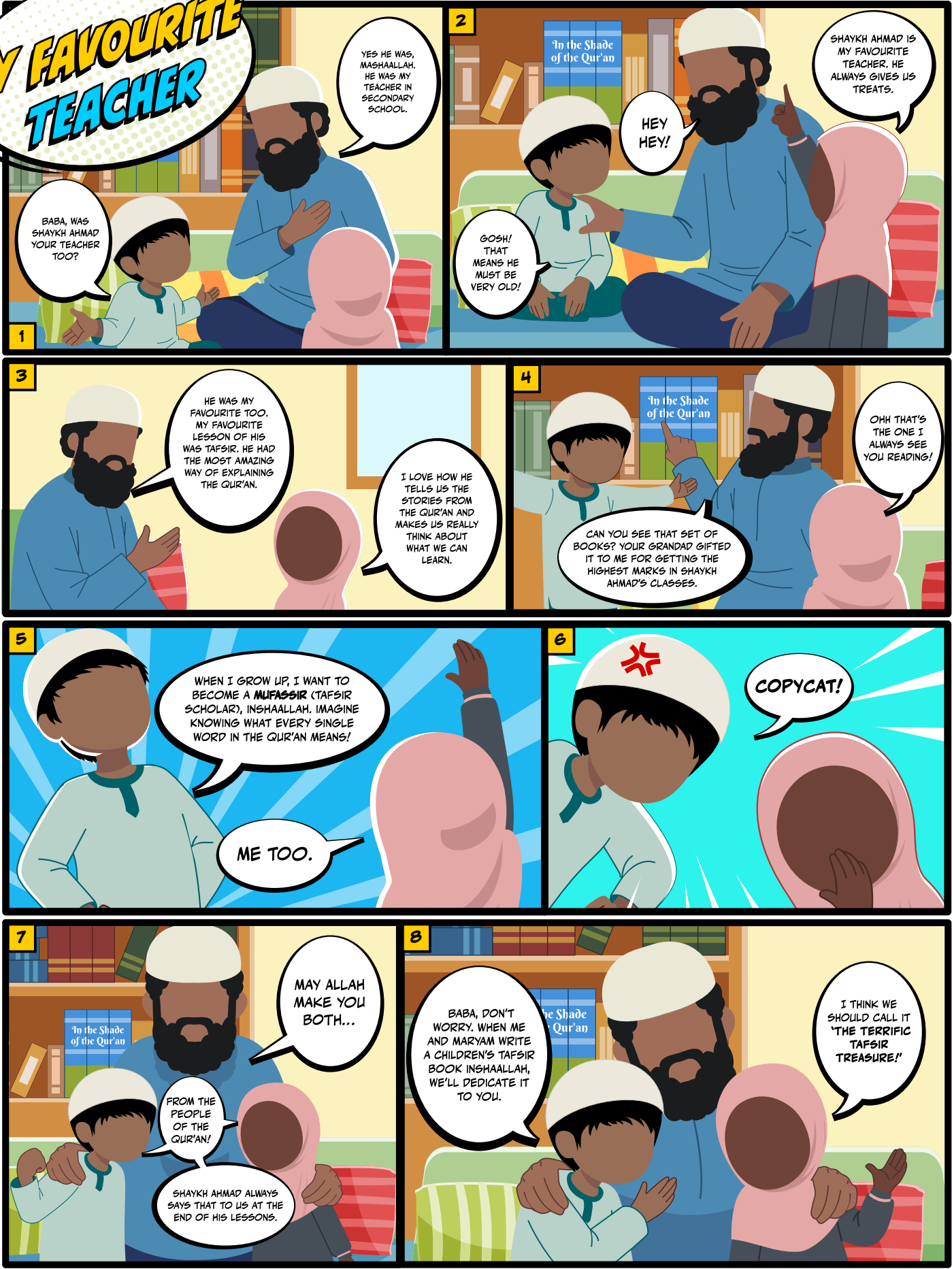
“Learn Arabic! Indeed it is a part of your din!”

– ‘Umar رضي الله عنه



I love my Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and I love his language.

# MY FAVOURITE TEACHER



Why is it important to study tafsir?



## Task 2

### The Alphabet Game

In pairs or groups, write one word for each letter of the Arabic alphabet and its meaning on a piece of paper. The first group to finish (or with the most words) wins!

**Bonus:** You get double points if the word is from the Qur'an!



## Task 3

Ibn Kathir رحمه الله (d. 774 AH/1373 CE) was a famous Islamic scholar, mufassir, and historian. He was known for his dedication to learning and worship. He wrote many important books that Muslims still read today, and his tafsir is studied all over the world.

**Imagine you could meet him. What questions would you ask him?**



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### I Act On What I Learn

I will make an effort to learn the language of the Qur'an.

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### Progress Check



1. What did the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم say about learning the Qur'an?
2. Why is learning Arabic important?
3. Why is learning tafsir important?

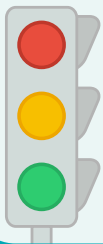
Lesson 3

# Reflecting and Acting on the Qur'an



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify why tadabbur is amazing
- Explore how to do tadabbur
- Practise reflection and action



## Key Words

Exquisite

Impacts

To follow - اتَّبَعَ يَتَّبِعُ

## T Thinking Starter

How can thinking bring us closer to Allah?



## Tadabbur Is Amazing

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

أَفَلَا يَتَدَبَّرُونَ الْقُرْآنَ أَمْ عَلَى قُلُوبٍ أَقْفَالُهَا

“Then do they not reflect upon the Qur'an, or are there locks upon their hearts?” (Surah Muhammad:24)



Allah سبحانه وتعالى wants us to recite the Qur'an with tadabbur, which means to reflect and think deeply about His words, not just recite them like robots.



Tadabbur is amazing. The more we do it, the more we love the Qur'an.

The Qur'an is like an **exquisite** treasure. The more tadabbur we do, the more 'secrets' and treasures we will discover.

If we ignore Allah's words, it's like we're locking our hearts, so we can't put any more good things in them!





How does learning tafsir (see previous lesson) help us to do tadabbur and truly 'live' the Qur'an every day?

## Why Tadabbur Matters

The Qur'an is the best guidance, wisdom, advice, healing, and light – but only if we do **tadabbur** on what we recite.

Through tadabbur, the Qur'an **impacts** our hearts and strengthens our **iman**. It helps us **love Allah** and makes us be in **awe of Him**.

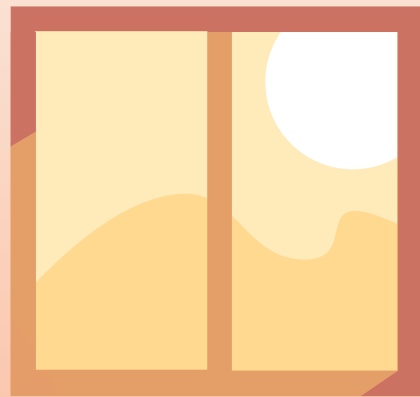
The true purpose of the Qur'an is to guide our hearts and **transform our lives**.

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

وَهَذَا كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ مُبَارَكٌ فَاتَّبِعُوهُ  
وَاتَّقُوا لَعَلَّكُمْ تُرْحَمُونَ ﴿١٥٥﴾

“This is a blessed Book We have revealed. So follow it and be mindful (of Allah), so you may be shown mercy.”

(Surah al-An'am:155)



### Task 1

Finish off the sentence.

Tadabbur is amazing because...

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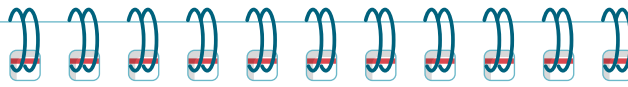
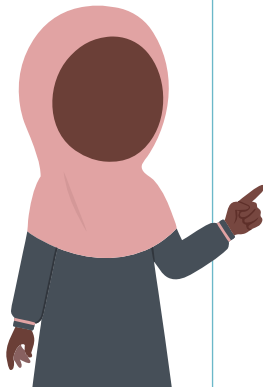
## Task 2

Read each tip with your partner and discuss why you think it is important.

Then add two more tips of your own.



Describe a scene you might imagine from Surah Yusuf. How might you feel?



## Top 5 Tadabbur Tips

1. Recite calmly and take your time.
2. Think that Allah is talking to YOU. Ask yourself: what is Allah saying to me in this ayah? How can I act upon it?
3. Picture the scene, feel the emotions, and imagine being there.

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5. \_\_\_\_\_

## Acting Upon the Qur'an

Tadabbur changes the way we live. When we recite the Qur'an regularly and reflect on its meanings, our actions improve. We take more care to pray on time and perform the Sunnah prayers. We remember Allah more in our daily lives and make plenty of du'a. We develop good character, be respectful to our parents, and help others. We avoid bad actions and encourage others to do the same.

Tadabbur **polishes our hearts**. It fills them with strong iman, kindness, and awareness of Allah. When we practise tadabbur, we always think of the Hereafter and Jannah.

Tadabbur is not just thinking. It changes your heart and helps you to truly 'live' the Qur'an.





### Task 3

a. You will play **Classroom Charades**.

- Choose an action from one of the surahs you have studied.
- Act it out silently. Do not speak or make sounds.
- The class will guess which surah the action comes from. The first correct answer earns a point.

### I Act On What I Learn

b. Choose an ayah that you have not yet acted upon. **Write the ayah, a short reflection, and how you will act upon the ayah.**

**Ayah**

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**Reflection**

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**I will act upon this inshaAllah by...**

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### P Progress Check



1. Why is tadabbur amazing?

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2. How can you do tadabbur?

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3. How does tadabbur help us?

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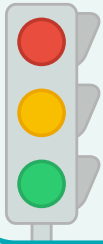
Lesson 4

# My Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and the Qur'an



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Describe the special bond between the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and the Qur'an

Explain how the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم recited the Qur'an

Reflect on how I can improve my own connection with the Qur'an



## Key Words

The Reminder - الذِّكْرُ

Ruqyah

Da'wah

## T Thinking Starter

Why do you think Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم loved the Qur'an?



## The Message & The Messenger

Our beloved Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم enjoyed a deep and special bond with the Qur'an. Allah chose him to receive it first and to deliver its everlasting message to humanity. Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

وَأَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكَ الذِّكْرَ لِتُبَيِّنَ لِلنَّاسِ مَا نُزِّلَ إِلَيْهِمْ وَلَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ ﴿٤٤﴾

**"...And We sent down the Reminder (The Qur'an) to you [O Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم], so that you explain to the people what has been revealed for them, and so that they may reflect."** (Surah an-Nahl:44)

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم didn't only explain the Qur'an with his words. His wife 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها said, "His character was the Qur'an." This means he lived exactly as the Qur'an teaches: he was a 'walking Qur'an'.

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم is our best example. The Qur'an teaches us to follow his Sunnah, to obey him, and to take him as our role model in every part of our lives.

I live by the Qur'an & Sunnah!







We love the Qur'an...

...just like our beloved Prophet ﷺ



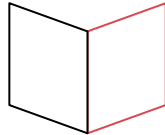
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Follow the steps to draw a mushaf stand.

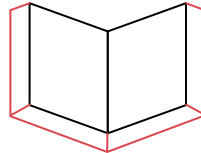
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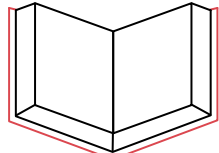
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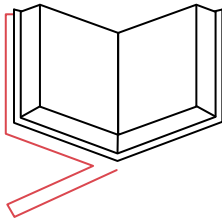
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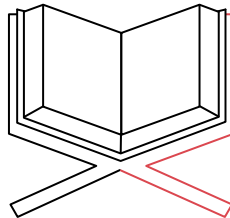
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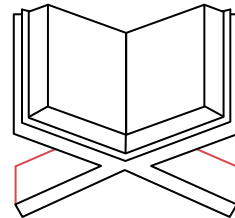
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## The Prophet's Recitation

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ always **recited** the Qur'an and **reflected** upon it. He recited it while standing, sitting, and lying down. He recited it after waking up and before going to sleep. He recited it during salah and after salah. He even recited it while riding his camel.



What surahs would the Prophet ﷺ recite before sleeping?

The Prophet's recitation was very beautiful. He recited slowly, calmly, and clearly, and he often cried whilst reciting Qur'an.

He taught the Qur'an to the Sahabah, listened to their recitation, and explained its meanings to them. He **encouraged** them to learn and recite it regularly. He recited verses in his Friday sermon. The Prophet ﷺ used the Qur'an to heal himself and others (**ruqyah**). He also invited people to Allah (**da'wah**) by reciting the Qur'an to them.



## Task 2

**Write your own quiz questions based on the above text.** Then swap your book with your partner, so you can answer their questions.

### IT'S STORY TIME!

## In the Stillness of the Night

One night, Hudhayfah رضي الله عنه joined Prophet Muhammad ﷺ in prayer. The Prophet ﷺ started reciting Surah al-Baqarah: the longest surah in the Qur'an.

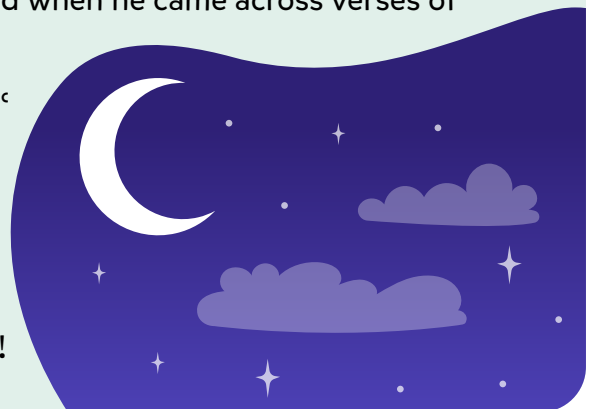
Hudhayfah thought, "He will probably do ruku' after one hundred verses." But the Prophet ﷺ kept reciting. Then Hudhayfah thought, "Maybe he will finish the whole surah in one rak'ah." But the Prophet ﷺ continued even after completing Surah al-Baqarah.

Next, the Prophet ﷺ began reciting Surah an-Nisa', and then Surah Aal 'Imran, taking his time reciting beautifully and carefully.

Whenever he came across verses of praise, he glorified Allah by saying words of praise. When he came across verses of du'a, he made du'a. And when he came across verses of seeking protection, he asked Allah for protection.

After his long recitation, the Prophet ﷺ did ruku' for as long as he had been standing. He then stood again for just as long. Finally, he went into sajdah for almost the same amount of time.

Allahu Akbar! If this was only one rak'ah, imagine how long the salah of the Prophet ﷺ must have been!





### Task 3

**Write a letter to the Prophet ﷺ thanking him and telling him how you feel.**

In your letter, you can include:

- Why you want to thank him for conveying the Qur'an to us
- How the Qur'an has helped you
- What you struggle with
- The ways you plan to build a strong bond with the Qur'an, just as he did
- Anything else you would like to tell him

### I Act On What I Learn

I will try to become close to the Qur'an, just like my Prophet ﷺ!

### P Progress Check



1. What was the Prophet Muhammad's ﷺ relationship with the Qur'an like? ☐
2. How did the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ recite the Qur'an? ☐
3. What will you do to grow closer to the Qur'an? ☐

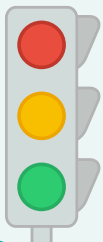
Lesson 5

# The Qur'an: My Daily Companion



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Explore how the Qur'an strengthens the believers
- Reflect on a verse to help me with a personal challenge
- Explain the importance of the soul's daily need for the Qur'an



## Key Words

The Holy Spirit - رُوحُ الْقُدُسِ  
Good news - بُشْرَى  
Genocide

## T Thinking Starter

What challenges do young people your age face?



## The Qur'an: The Secret to Strength

Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

قُلْ نَزَّلَهُ رُوحُ الْقُدُسِ مِنْ رَبِّكَ بِالْحَقِّ لِيُثَبِّتَ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا  
وَهُدًى وَبُشْرَى لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿١٠٢﴾

“Say, ‘The Holy Spirit has brought it down from your Lord with the truth to strengthen the believers, and as a guide and good news for those who submit (to Allah).’” (Surah an-Nahl:102)

The Qur'an is the complete truth. Allah sent it down with Angel Jibril عليه السلام to our beloved Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. It was revealed bit by bit so that the truth could enter deeply into people's hearts and make their iman stronger than the tallest mountains!

The Qur'an strengthens our iman!

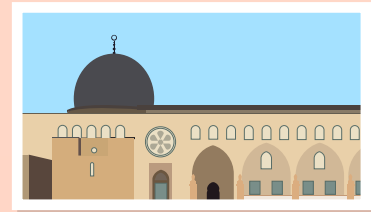
The Qur'an made the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and his Companions very strong. It **guided** them, supported them, and gave them courage. It brought them **the best news**: if you obey Allah and His Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم, you will live forever in Jannah, the most incredible and magnificent place!

How does Allah describe the Qur'an in the above ayah? How does the Qur'an help us?

## The Qur'an: the Solution

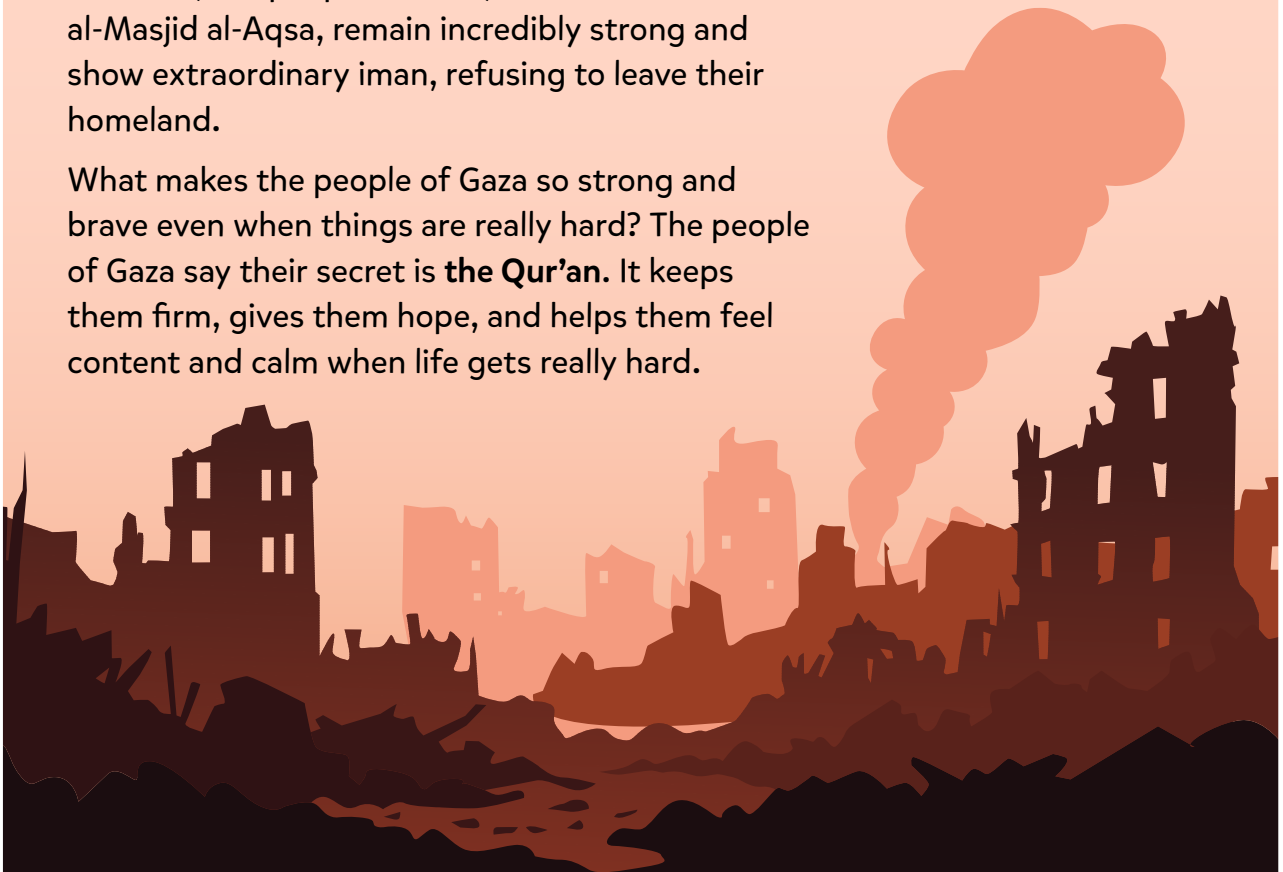
We live in a world full of challenges, sometimes small and sometimes big. The Qur'an is like a rope we hold onto in a storm. It has the solution to all of the world's problems. When we recite and reflect on it, it will comfort us, guide us, and strengthen us.

In Gaza (Palestine), the illegal Zionist state of Israel brutally murders our brothers and sisters. During the brutal **genocide** (2023 onwards), they starved thousands, bombed hospitals, and burnt people alive.



However, the people of Gaza, the defenders of al-Masjid al-Aqsa, remain incredibly strong and show extraordinary iman, refusing to leave their homeland.

What makes the people of Gaza so strong and brave even when things are really hard? The people of Gaza say their secret is **the Qur'an**. It keeps them firm, gives them hope, and helps them feel content and calm when life gets really hard.



**Genocide** is when people try to destroy and wipe out a whole group of people because of who they are, such as their skin colour, religion or ethnicity.



## Task 1

- Trace the verses.
- Read each one carefully and discuss with your partner how you think the Qur'an will strengthen these children.



I want to wear my hijab, but I'm worried people at school will stare or say unkind things.

### THE QUR'AN TEACHES ME...

وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ حَسْبُهُ

"...And whoever puts their trust in Allah, then He is sufficient for them..." (Surah at-Talaq:3)



I live in Gaza. Our house was bombed, my parents were martyred, and my leg had to be amputated.

حَسْبُنَا اللَّهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ

"...Allah is enough for us: He is the best Protector." (Surah Aal 'Imran:173)



My friends want to watch a show that has bad words in it. What should I do?

إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ عَلَيْكُمْ رَقِيبًا

"...Indeed Allah is Ever-Watchful over you." (Surah an-Nisa:1)



## Task 2

Write down a challenge you are currently facing.  
Which ayah from the previous task can help you? Write the ayah and its meaning.

My current challenge

Ayah with meaning



## Our Daily Companion

Just as our bodies need food and drink to survive and grow healthy, our hearts and souls also need their own 'food'. The Qur'an is the best 'soul food'. There is nothing which strengthens the heart like the Qur'an.

We should never let a single day go by without reciting the Qur'an, even if it's a little portion. Just like we eat and drink every day, we must make the Qur'an a fixed part of our daily routine.

We want to be strong believers, so we need to spend quality time with the Qur'an!



### Task 3

Write a du'a asking Allah to make the Qur'an **your daily companion**: your best friend in this life and the Hereafter. Think of all the descriptions of the Qur'an we have learned and try to include some of these ideas in your du'a.

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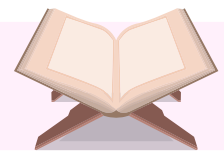
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## I Act On What I Learn

I will recite the Qur'an every single day.



## P Progress Check



1. How does the Qur'an strengthen believers?

2. Which ayah can help you face your current challenge?

3. Why does your soul need the Qur'an every day?

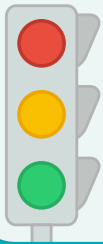
Lesson 6

# 'Abdullah Ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه: A Qur'an Champion



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Describe 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه

Explain why 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud was a Qur'an champion

Reflect on how I can be like 'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud رضي الله عنه



## Key Words

Exemplary

Generation

Insight

## T Thinking Starter

How does the Qur'an make you a better person?



### IT'S STORY TIME!

## The Honest Boy Honoured by Allah

'Abdullah ibn Mas'ud was a young boy who looked after animals for a wealthy man in Makkah.

One day, while tending to the goats, two thirsty men asked him, "Can you milk a sheep for us?" 'Abdullah replied that he couldn't as he was entrusted with them and he didn't own them.

Even as a boy, he always spoke the truth.

Then one of the men asked for a goat that didn't give milk. 'Abdullah was confused but brought him a milkless goat. The man touched it, and suddenly milk began to flow from the goat's udders, even though it had never given milk before! They all drank from it.

Later, he found out the man was Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم and the man with him was Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه!

Amazed by this miracle, 'Abdullah went to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and said, "O Messenger of Allah, teach me from the Qur'an." The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم gently wiped his head and made a special du'a for him.





## A Heart Full of Qur'an

‘Abdullah رضي الله عنه accepted Islam and became one of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم's best students. He loved the Qur'an and learned it so well that the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said, **“Whoever wants to hear the Qur'an as freshly as it was revealed should listen to Ibn Mas‘ud.”**

One day, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم asked ‘Abdullah, “Recite the Qur'an to me.” ‘Abdullah replied, “O Messenger of Allah, how can I recite to you when it was revealed to you?!”

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said, “I love to hear it from others.”

‘Abdullah recited Surah an-Nisa until the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم asked him to stop. When he looked up, he saw the Prophet's eyes filled with tears.

‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه was truly from the ‘people of the Qur'an’. At night, he spent hours reciting it beautifully in salah. His character was **exemplary** and was said to be like the character and mannerisms of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. He always served the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and was very close to him. People often thought he and his mother were part of the Prophet's family because they visited so frequently.



**Exemplary:** something or someone that is a perfect example to follow.

Despite being very slim and short, ‘Abdullah was extremely brave. After the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم, he was the first to recite the Qur'an in public. He went by the Ka'bah and bravely recited Surah ar-Rahman. The Quraysh were furious and hit him very hard.



### Did You Know?

In the Battle of Badr, he killed the Pharaoh of this Ummah: the vile Abu Jahl.



### Task 1

Write three words that best describe ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud's heroic traits.



## The Outstanding Teacher and Scholar

After the passing of the Prophet ﷺ, ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه became one of the most knowledgeable and respected scholars of the Qur’an and a great mufasssir.

He played a vital role in passing the Qur’an to the next **generation**. He was a wise and caring teacher who explained difficult ideas clearly. He helped his students understand the Qur’an, act upon its teachings, and recite it correctly. His words inspired people and touched their hearts.

He explained verses through other verses and the ahadith of the Prophet ﷺ. He linked the events and people connected to each verse. He also used his strong knowledge of Arabic and his deep **insight**. He once said: “No verse of the Book of Allah was revealed except that I know where it was revealed and why it was revealed.”

**Mufasssir:** A scholar who does tafsir and explains the meanings of the Qur’an.

**Insight:** the ability to understand something deeply.



### Task 2

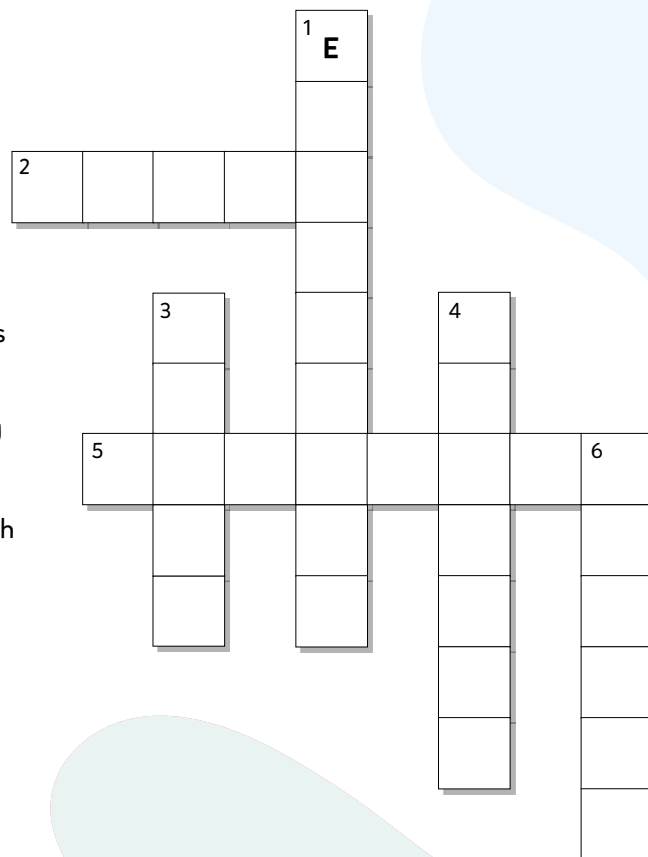
Complete the crossword.

#### Down

1. Something or someone that is a perfect example to follow
3. What ‘Abdullah always spoke, even as a boy
4. The ability to understand something deeply
6. The Prophet ﷺ asked ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud to \_\_\_\_\_ for him.

#### Across

2. Despite being short and skinny, ‘Abdullah was very \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Scholar of tafsir





### Task 3

- a. Prepare your own self-evaluation checklist based on the characteristics of ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه.

| Quality of ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه | How often do I show this quality? |                       |                       |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
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- b. To be more like my hero ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه, I will:

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### I Act On What I Learn

I will recite the Qur'an beautifully like ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه.

### P Progress Check



- Describe ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه in three words. ☐
- Why was ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه a true Qur'an Champion? ☐
- How can you be more like ‘Abdullah ibn Mas‘ud رضي الله عنه? ☐

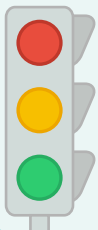
Lesson 7

# 'A'ishah Bint Abi Bakr رضي الله عنها: A Qur'an Champion



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- List key facts about 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها
- Reflect on how 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها 'lived' the Qur'an
- Write a speech about 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها



## Key Words

Exceptional  
Context  
Eloquence

## T Thinking Starter

If you could meet 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها, the most beloved wife of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم, what would you ask her?



## 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها: the Genius Wife of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم

Young 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها grew up surrounded by the Qur'an. As a little girl in Makkah, she happily played with her friends and listened to the Qur'an being recited by the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. Her father, Abu Bakr رضي الله عنه, the best friend of Prophet Muhammad, had built a small prayer area in the courtyard of his home. There, he would pray and recite the Qur'an beautifully. Many women and children of Quraysh came to listen, and young 'A'ishah listened too. Later, Allah chose her to marry the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم and she became a Mother of the Believers.

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها was no ordinary young girl. She was incredibly smart, very quick to understand, and had an extraordinary memory. She was curious, eager to learn, and not shy to ask questions.

She loved the Qur'an deeply, often asking the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم about the meanings of its verses. She memorised everything she could from the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. She would hear the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم recite at night. Because of her, we know so much about the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. While most people only saw him outside his home, 'A'ishah lived with him and learnt from him closely.

All of this made 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها an **exceptional** scholar of the Qur'an and Islam. She understood the meaning of every verse and the **context** in which it was revealed.

**Context:** the situation or background that helps you understand something better.

## 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها: The Brilliant Qur'an Scholar & Teacher

When the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم passed away, 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها was still young, but that did not stop her from sharing the knowledge he had taught her. Her home became a place of learning and tarbiyah. For the next 48 years, she trained and nurtured some of the greatest male and female scholars.

Her knowledge was so deep that even leading Companions came to her for answers. They asked her about many topics, including the laws of inheritance, which are very detailed and require a strong mathematical mind.

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها was highly skilled at understanding the Qur'an and applying its teachings to new situations. Whenever she faced a question or a problem, she always turned to the Book of Allah. She used the Qur'an to explain difficult ideas and answer people's questions.



When did 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها pass away?



### Did You Know?

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها was also an expert in poetry, history, and medicine!

Thanks to 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها, we know so much about our din! She narrated over 2000 hadith!



O Allah, make me a scholar like 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها.



### Task 1

Complete this fact file about 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم: \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of expertise:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of hadith narrated: \_\_\_\_\_

Admirable qualities:

① \_\_\_\_\_  
② \_\_\_\_\_  
③ \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها: The Humble Servant of Allah

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها wasn't just a brilliant scholar. She 'lived' the Qur'an. She had a very strong connection with Allah, always praying and fasting. She was very generous and gave away everything for the sake of Allah.

Her nephew, Qasim رحمه الله, used to start his morning by greeting her. One morning, he found her standing in salah, glorifying Allah and reciting:

فَمَنْ أَلَّهِ عَلَيْنَا وَوَقَّنَا عَذَابَ السَّمُومِ ﴿٢٧﴾

**"Allah favoured us and saved us from the punishment of (Hell's) intense heat."** (Surah at-Tur:27)

She kept repeating the ayah, crying and asking Allah to protect her from the Fire, and crying. Qasim stood waiting for her to finish, but 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها kept praying. Eventually, Qasim got tired of waiting and went to run some errands. When he returned, she was still standing, reciting the same ayah and crying as before!



### Task 2

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها is famous for saying that the character of the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم was the Qur'an.

1 What do you think she meant by this?

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2 In what ways was 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها herself similar to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم?

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3 What is one thing you can do to be more like 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها?

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### Task 3

‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها was known for her **eloquence**.

Write a short ‘eloquent’ speech on why ‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها is a role model for young people.

**Eloquence** is the ability to speak or write in a way that is **clear, persuasive, and moving**, often using language beautifully and effectively to influence or inspire others.

USE  
POWERFUL  
WORDS

INCLUDE  
STORIES OR  
EXAMPLES

END WITH  
A STRONG  
MESSAGE

#### ‘A’ISHAH رضي الله عنها: OUR ROLE MODEL

### I Act On What I Learn

I will learn my din so I can benefit the Ummah, just like ‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها.



### P Progress Check



1. What subjects and skills was ‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها really good at? ☐
2. How did ‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها become an exceptional scholar of the Qur’an? ☐
3. How did ‘A’ishah رضي الله عنها ‘live’ the Qur’an? ☐



I Learn, I Act, I Share

## THE COMPANIONS رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ THE BEST QUR'AN CHAMPIONS

LEARNING FOR A

Life With Allah

In this book, and in previous levels, we learnt about some of the great Companions of our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ. They were outstanding Qur'an Champions: they loved the Qur'an, recited it, reflected upon it, memorised it, lived by it, and taught it.

Now it's time for you to review what you have learned about them and, inshaAllah, be inspired by their incredible examples.

### Four in a Row

#### How to Play

1. Play in pairs or two teams.
2. Each team chooses a pen colour (or a counter colour if you have some)
3. Take turns choosing a statement and answering: Who am I?
4. If you answer correctly, colour or mark the space with your team's colour.
5. The person or team to gain four in a row (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) wins! Allahu Akbar!





I was the first to recite the Qur'an publicly to the Quraysh.

I was a cousin of the Prophet ﷺ and became a great mufasssir.

I was the second Caliph of Islam and hearing the Qur'an led me to Islam.

I was married to the Prophet ﷺ and often asked him about the meanings of verses.

"Whoever wants to hear the Qur'an as freshly as it was revealed should listen to \_\_\_\_\_."

I was slim and short, but my knowledge of the Qur'an was deep.

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها came to listen to me reciting the Qur'an at night.

Caliph 'Umar would say to me, "Remind us of our Lord!"

The Prophet ﷺ asked me to recite the Qur'an to him, and I recited from Surah an-Nisa'.

I was the freed slave of Abu Hudhayfah رضي الله عنه and I loved the Qur'an.

I was reciting Surah al-Kahf in tahajjud when my horse became restless because angels came to listen to me.

The Prophet ﷺ asked me what the greatest verse in the Qur'an is, and I answered correctly.

I am Islam's greatest female scholar.

I bravely recited Surah ar-Rahman near the Ka'bah and the Quraysh hit me harshly for doing this.

I was given a flute from the flutes of Dawud عليه السلام.

I was married to the Prophet ﷺ. The copy of the Qur'an was kept by me after the martyrdom of my father 'Umar رضي الله عنه.

I married two of the Prophet's daughters and I had a very strong bond with the Qur'an.

The Prophet ﷺ made du'a for me: O Allah, teach him the interpretation of the Qur'an.

I was the fourth Caliph and I knew where and why every ayah was revealed.

I was the first Caliph after the death of the Prophet ﷺ and I would often cry whilst reciting the Qur'an.

I would write the Qur'an for the Prophet ﷺ and I was chosen to compile it after his death.

The Prophet ﷺ came to me first after he received the first revelation.

I earned the title 'The learned man of the Ummah' even though I was only 13 when the Prophet ﷺ passed away.

I was the trusted writer and translator of the Prophet ﷺ.

# Sa'id ibn Jubayr رحمه الله



Passed away in: 94 AH

In the city of Kufah in 'Iraq, a boy was born who would become one of the leading scholars of the Qur'an and one of the greatest worshippers amongst the **Tabi'in**. His name was Sa'id ibn Jubayr. He did not come from a rich or powerful family, in fact he was a freed slave. But Allah gave him something greater than worldly wealth.



The **Tabi'in** (التابعين) are the second generation of Muslims who met the Companions رضي الله عنهم.

Sa'id رحمه الله was very eager to share with others whatever he learned.



## A Brilliant Scholar

Sa'id رحمه الله was a brilliant scholar of tafsir, hadith, and fiqh. He learned from great Companions, such as 'Abdullah ibn 'Umar and 'A'ishah رضي الله عنهما. He was one of the greatest students of 'Abdullah ibn 'Abbas رضي الله عنه, the mufassir of this Ummah. Students travelled very long distances to learn from Sa'id رحمه الله.

## A Great Worshipper

Sa'id رحمه الله was very pious and constantly remembered Allah. He loved the Qur'an, always reciting it with deep devotion and focus. Once, his student heard him repeat an ayah more than 20 times in salah.

He never allowed anyone to gossip or backbite in his presence.



He performed salah with so much khushu' (focus and humility) that people said he was like a calm standing stick! He wept so much during his night prayers that it weakened his eyesight. He led others in salah, reciting the Qur'an beautifully and melodiously.

## A Fearless Warrior

In Sa'id's time, a harsh ruler named al-Hajjaj ibn Yusuf ruled with cruelty. He joined an army that fought against al-Hajjaj and was part of a group called the Battalion of Qur'an Reciters. Sadly, they were defeated, and Sa'id went into hiding for many years.



Eventually, Sa'id was captured in Makkah. After travelling with him for three days, al-Hajjaj's guard noticed that Sa'id was fasting all day and praying all night. He said to Sa'id, "By Allah, I know I am taking you to someone who will kill you. I will free you, so run away."

But Sa'id replied, "Al-Hajjaj will find out that you took me. If you let me go, I fear he will kill you. Take me to him." Even in danger, he put others before himself and placed his trust in Allah.

So the guard took him to al-Hajjaj. He began questioning Sa'id:

What is your name?

Sa'id ibn Jubayr.

SA'ID IBN JUBAYR = BLESSED, SON OF MENDER  
SHAQIYY IBN KASIR = WRETCHED, SON OF BROKEN

Rather, you are Shaqiyy ibn Kasir.

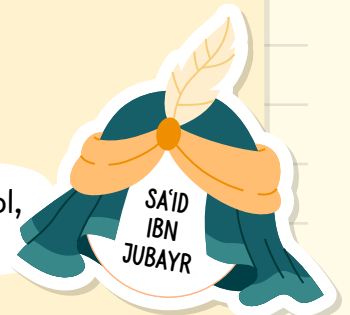
My mother knew my name better than you.

You and your mother are wretched.

Only Allah knows the unseen.

I will replace your worldly life with a Blazing Fire.

If I believed that was in your control, I would take you as my god.



As Sa'id was laid down for execution, he recited, *"I have turned my face to the One who created the heavens and the earth."*

They turned him away from the qiblah, so he recited: *"Wherever you turn, there is the Face of Allah."*

Then, they turned him onto his face, so he recited: *"From it (the earth) We created you, to it We will return you, and from it We will bring you out again."*

Then, whilst repeating *La ilaha illa Allah*, Sa'id ibn Jubayr returned to Allah as a martyr.



HIS STRONG TRUST  
IN ALLAH MADE HIM  
BRAVE AND FEARLESS.



Lesson 8

# Surah az-Zalzalah: Part 1

The Earthquake

 SURAH 99



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Describe what will happen to the earth at the end of times
- Explain what the earth will reveal on the Day of Judgement
- Reflect on what the earth may testify about my deeds



## Key Words

Is shaken - زُلْزِلَتْ

That day - يَوْمَئِذٍ

News - أَخْبَارٌ

## T Thinking Starter

How does belief in the Hereafter change the way a person lives?



## The Terrifying Earthquake

سُورَةُ الزَّلْزَلَةِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

|  | زِلْزَالُهَا | الْأَرْضُ | زُلْزِلَتْ | إِذَا |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| (1)                                                                                 | its quaking  | the earth | is shaken  | when  |

When the earth is shaken by its [ultimate] quaking, (1)

Have you ever experienced or watched a video of an earthquake?

Earthquakes can be very frightening when they occur in different parts of the world. However, when the Trumpet is blown and the Final Hour begins, the **entire earth** will shake with a terrifying quake. It will be unlike anything anyone has ever seen!

The earth will shake violently. Buildings will collapse, mountains will crumble, and the hills will flatten.

There will be nowhere to escape from this earthquake.



|                                                |              |           |                |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| ٢                                              | أَثْقَالَهَا | الْأَرْضُ | وَأَخْرَجَتْ   |
| (2)                                            | its burdens  | the earth | and throws out |
| and when the earth throws out its burdens, (2) |              |           |                |

The earth will shake so powerfully that it will push out everything hidden inside it: all its treasures and all the people buried within it. Everything will burst out.

Can you imagine it? Billions of people who once lived on this earth, who are now buried in the ground, will all come back to life on that Day. No one will remain underground.

|                                                           |                             |              |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|---------|
| ٣                                                         | مَا لَهَا                   | الْإِنْسَانُ | وَقَالَ |
| (3)                                                       | what is the matter with it? | the human    | and say |
| And the human will say, "What is the matter with it?" (3) |                             |              |         |

People will cry out, "What is happening to the earth?!"

They will be frightened and in complete shock. It will be unlike anything they have ever seen before, leaving them confused, bewildered, and astonished.



Repeat the word زُلْزِلَتْ a few times.  
How does it make you feel?



## Task 1

Match the word to its translation.

the human

is shaken

and throws out

when

the earth

زُلْزِلَتْ

الْأَرْضُ

إِذَا

الْإِنْسَانُ

وَأَخْرَجَتْ

Onomatopoeia is when a word sounds like the noise it describes, such as buzz, bang, splash, or pop.

The Qur'an also uses sound words to make its message stronger and more powerful, such as the word 'زُلْزِلَتْ' in this surah.

## The Earth Reveals All

|                                                                                   |              |              |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
|  | أَخْبَارَهَا | تُحَدِّثُ    | يَوْمَئِذٍ |
| (4)                                                                               | its news     | it will tell | that day   |
| That day it will tell all its news, (4)                                           |              |              |            |

Allah will give the earth the power to speak. The earth will narrate everything that happened on it: the good and the bad. It will speak as a witness, either for us or against us.

When someone goes to court, two witnesses are called to tell the truth about what they saw or heard.

On the Day of Judgement, the earth will be a witness too. It will 'speak' and tell the truth about everything people did on it. All secrets will be revealed, except for what Allah chooses to keep hidden.

Knowing this should make us feel responsible and careful about our actions.



### Did You Know?

On the Day of Judgement, not only the earth, but also the angels and even our own body parts will speak. Allah will give them the ability to testify about what we did.

|                                                                                     |       |           |           |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|---------|
|  | لَهَا | أَوْحَى   | رَبِّكَ   | بِأَنَّ |
| (5)                                                                                 | it    | commanded | your Lord | because |
| because your Lord will command it [to do so]. (5)                                   |       |           |           |         |

Why will the earth do this? Because Allah will command it. The earth obeys Allah and it will reveal everything.

The world and everything inside it will come to an end. We should not become attached to it. We should only take from it what will help us prepare for our eternal Home.



### Did You Know?

أَوْحَى also means to send down revelation (wahy).





## Task 2

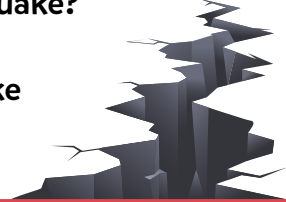
Earthquakes remind us of the power of Allah. Even today, scientists have not found a way to stop them from happening.



How do you think someone feels when they experience an earthquake?



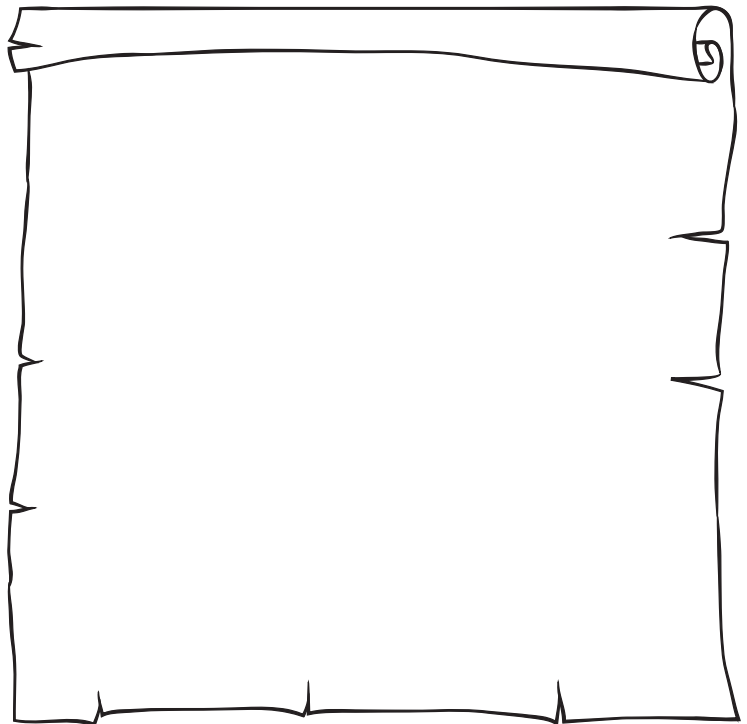
How do you think humans will feel during the Ultimate Earthquake mentioned in this surah?



## Task 3

**Complete this map** by adding places where you have been. What will these places **testify** about you on the Day of Judgement?

Next to each place, **write the good deeds** you hope Allah will reward you for. Keep your mistakes and sins private and ask Allah for forgiveness for them.



## I Act On What I Learn

I will always remember that everything in this world will come to an end, so I will not attach my heart to it.

## P Progress Check



1. What will happen to the earth at the end of times? ☐
2. What will the earth reveal on the Day of Judgement? ☐
3. What can you do so the earth is a witness for you and not against you? ☐

Lesson 9

# Surah az-Zalzalah: Part 2

The Earthquake



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Review the vocabulary of Surah az-Zalzalah
- Reflect on the effect of every small good or bad deed
- Explore how I can apply the lessons from Surah az-Zalzalah in daily life



## Key Words

Deeds/actions - أَعْمَالٌ

Who - مَنْ

Good - خَيْرٌ

## T Thinking Starter

How can you remind yourself to choose good deeds, even when it's difficult?



## Facing Your Actions

| يَوْمَئِذٍ                                                                              | يَصْدُرُ     | النَّاسُ   | أَشْتَاتًا           | لَيَرَوُا              | أَعْمَلُهُمْ | ٦   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------|-----|
| that day                                                                                | will proceed | the people | (in) separate groups | so that they are shown | their deeds  | (6) |
| That Day people will proceed in separate groups so that they are shown their deeds. (6) |              |            |                      |                        |              |     |

On the Day of Judgement, people will go to face their judgement in different groups. Those who did good will be with others who did good, and those who did wrong will be with others who made similar bad choices.

They will see their actions and their consequences. Whilst some people will be very happy, others will be extremely distressed and feel deep regret.





## Every Little Counts

|                                                           |                |         |         |           |          |            |
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| ٧                                                         | يَرَوْ         | خَيْرًا | ذَرَّةَ | مِثْقَالَ | يَعْمَلُ | فَمَنْ     |
| (7)                                                       | he will see it | good    | atom    | weight    | does     | so whoever |
| So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it. (7) |                |         |         |           |          |            |

Whatever good a person has done in this world, they will see it. Even the tiniest good deed is recorded and will be shown. Nothing will be left out. Allah is so appreciative!

Even though Surah az-Zalzalah can feel scary, this ayah gives **hope**, because every tiny good deed counts with Allah!

الشَّاكِرُ  
The Most Appreciative



What is one tiny good deed you did this week that no one saw?

|                                                            |                |        |         |           |          |            |
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| ٨                                                          | يَرَوْ         | شَرًّا | ذَرَّةَ | مِثْقَالَ | يَعْمَلُ | وَمَنْ     |
| (8)                                                        | he will see it | evil   | atom    | weight    | does     | so whoever |
| And whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it. (8) |                |        |         |           |          |            |

Equally, every tiny bad deed will be seen and counted too! We should take this very seriously.

We've learned the Arabic saying: الْجَزَاءُ مِنْ جِنْسِ الْعَمَلِ ('Whatever you do, good or bad, has consequences that match what you did.') On the Day of Judgement, every single deed will be shown and weighed, and we will have to face the consequences for each one.

That is why it is so important to use every moment to do good. There are many ways to do good, including deeds of the heart, such as forgiving someone or reflecting on the creation of Allah.

This surah is also a strong warning to avoid even the smallest sins, not just the major ones.





## Task 1

Write the meaning of these words.

يَعْمَلُ

يَوْمَئِذٍ

الْأَرْضُ

رَبِّكَ

مِثْقَالَ

تُحَدِّثُ

شَرًّا

يَرَهُ

أَعْمَلَهُمْ

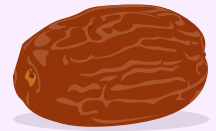
خَيْرًا

One day, a beggar came to the door of 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها. She asked her maid, "Give him something to eat."

The maid went to look for something, but came back and said, "I couldn't find anything to give him."

'A'ishah رضي الله عنها told her, "Go back and see if you can find something for him."

The maid searched again and this time she found a **single date**. She brought it to 'A'ishah رضي الله عنها who said: "Give it to him. It contains many atoms' weight of good if it is accepted by Allah."



## Task 2

Interview three adults and record their answers here.

| Name     | What are some sins that people often take lightly? | What are some easy good deeds that people consider small and miss out on? |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. _____ |                                                    |                                                                           |
| 2. _____ |                                                    |                                                                           |
| 3. _____ |                                                    |                                                                           |

## Lessons From Surah az-Zalzalah

- ★ **Prepare for the Day of Judgement.** Surah az-Zalzalah strengthens our belief in the Hereafter: everyone will be brought back to life, held to account, and then admitted either into Jannah or Jahannam.
- ★ **Think carefully about everything you do.** Every deed, no matter how small, will be counted. Even the earth will testify for us or against us.
- ★ **Never doubt the perfect justice of Allah.** This surah reminds us that Allah is al-'Adl: The Most Just, and His justice is absolute.
- ★ **Always be in awe of Allah.** This surah reminds us of the power of Allah.



Can you think of two ways this surah shows the power of Allah?



### Task 3

Advise these children based on what you have learned from Surah az-Zalzalah and other verses from the Qur'an.

|                                                                                                                                                       | My advice to you |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
|  Hasan is tired and doesn't feel like praying 'Isha.               | Dear Hasan,      |
|  Khawlah accidentally broke her classmate's pencil and no one saw. | Dear Khawlah,    |

## I Act On What I Learn

I will try to do even the smallest good deeds and avoid the smallest sins.

## P Progress Check



- Share two key messages of Surah az-Zalzalah. ☐
- Why is it important to be careful about every little deed you do? ☐
- How can you apply a lesson from Surah az-Zalzalah in your daily life? ☐

Lesson 10

# Surah al-'Adiyat: Part 1

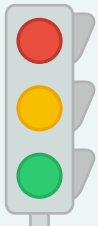
The Galloping Horses

 SURAH 100



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Recall the purpose of an oath in the Qur'an
- Explain how Allah describes the human being
- Explore why Allah takes an oath by the galloping horses



## Key Words

The galloping horses - اَلْعَدِيَّاتِ  
That - ذَلِكَ  
Love - حُبٌّ

## T Thinking Starter

Why should we pay attention to our bad habits or faults?

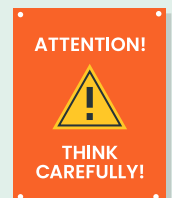


## A Powerful Start: The Oath

Do you remember the oath in Surah al-'Asr?

Surah al-'Adiyat also begins with an oath. Allah swears by war horses and describes them in the first five verses.

When Allah سبحانه وتعالى takes an oath, it's to grab our attention. It reminds us to think carefully and deeply about the important message that comes after it.



سُورَةُ الْعَادِيَّاتِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

|                                                                                     |         |                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|
|  | ضَبْحًا | وَالْعَدِيَّاتِ         |
| (1)                                                                                 | panting | by the galloping horses |
| By the galloping, panting horses, (1)                                               |         |                         |

Allah سبحانه وتعالى takes an oath by the horses that charge into battle for His cause, panting, neighing and snorting (the sound of their heavy breathing).

|                                                                                   |         |                              |     |         |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|-----|---------|------------------------|
| ٣                                                                                 | صَبَحًا | فَالْمُغِيرَاتِ              | ٢   | قَدَحًا | فَالْمُورِيَّتِ        |
| (3)                                                                               | morning | then those that launch raids | (2) | sparks  | then those that strike |
| then those that strike sparks, then those that launch raids in the morning, (2-3) |         |                              |     |         |                        |

The horses run so fast that when they strike their hooves against the rocks, they produce sparks of fire.

They raid and attack their enemies early at dawn.

|                                                                                 |                          |                 |     |         |                      |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----|---------|----------------------|
| ٥                                                                               | جَمْعًا                  | فَوَسَطْنَ بِهِ | ٤   | نَقْعًا | فَأَثَرَنَ بِهِ      |
| (5)                                                                             | heart of the enemy lines | then plunge     | (4) | dust    | then raise [with it] |
| then raise a cloud of dust, and plunge into the heart of the enemy lines. (4-5) |                          |                 |     |         |                      |

Due to their incredible speed, they cause clouds of dust to fly around them.

The horses rush suddenly into the middle of the enemy's lines. They surprise them and fill them with fear and confusion.

The language of the Qur'an is very powerful. Allah has painted a vivid scene for us. Close your eyes and use all your senses to imagine the galloping horses: their speed, the sparks from their hooves, and the force of their charge.



## The Human Being

After a very powerful oath, the surah now turns our attention to the message Allah wants us to pay attention to. Allah says:

|                                                              |                       |             |             |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| ٦                                                            | لَكَئُودٌ             | لِرَبِّهِ   | الْإِنْسَنَ | إِنَّ  |
| (6)                                                          | truly very ungrateful | to his Lord | the human   | indeed |
| Indeed, the human is truly very ungrateful to his Lord – (6) |                       |             |             |        |

Humans are ungrateful by nature. They often forget Allah's blessings and do not acknowledge that it is **Allah** who gives them everything.

|                                                                                   |                 |         |        |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------|----------------|
|  | لَشَهِيدٌ       | ذَٰلِكَ | عَلَىٰ | وَإِنَّهُ      |
| (7)                                                                               | truly a witness | that    | to     | and indeed, He |
| and indeed, He is truly a witness to that – (7)                                   |                 |         |        |                |

Allah sees and witnesses everything.

|                                                                                   |                    |           |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
|  | لَشَدِيدٌ          | الْخَيْرِ | حُبِّ          | وَإِنَّهُ      |
| (8)                                                                               | truly very intense | wealth    | [for] the love | and indeed, he |
| And indeed, he is truly very intense in his love for wealth. (8)                  |                    |           |                |                |

Humans naturally love wealth and worldly things. Often, this love can lead them to become obsessed with money and do haram things to earn it. It can make them stingy and selfish too.

Money itself is not bad. What matters is how we earn it and what we do with it.



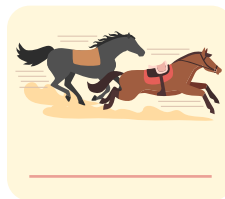
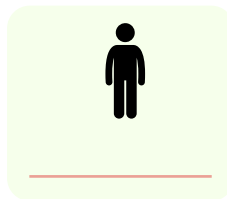
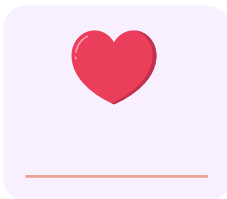
What did Surah al-Humazah teach us about wealth?

Allah explains the negative qualities of humans, so we can recognise and overcome them.



## Task 1

Write the Arabic word from the surah under the picture.



## Task 2

Fill in the blanks based on the text above.

In this surah, Allah describes the state of the human being. The human being is \_\_\_\_\_ to His Lord and loves \_\_\_\_\_. However, the believer is different as iman changes the values of the human.

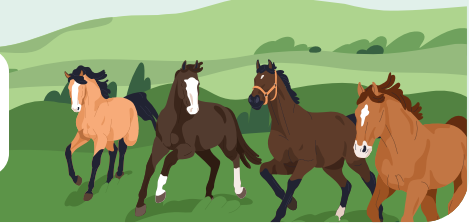
Iman changes ingratitude into \_\_\_\_\_ and humility; and greed and stinginess into \_\_\_\_\_ and compassion. Iman helps us understand what is truly important in life.

## Charging Horses

Allah takes an oath by the horses of jihad because they are used for a very important purpose. They are used in the path of Allah to establish the truth and justice in the world.

Our beloved Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said: “Whoever keeps a horse for the path of Allah – out of firm belief in Allah and belief in His promise – then its feeding, its drinking, its droppings, and its urine will all be counted in his scale of good deeds on the Day of Judgement” (Bukhari).

Unlike horses, **humans are often not loyal** to their Lord: the One who created them and provides them with everything.



## Task 3

Imagine you are part of an epic battle in Islamic History.

**Option 1:** Pretend you are a horse. Write a diary entry describing what you see, hear, and feel as you carry a warrior into battle.

**Option 2:** Imagine you are the warrior. Give your brave horse a name and write a diary entry about its important role in the battle you participated in.

This image shows a single sheet of white paper designed as a notebook page. It features ten evenly spaced horizontal red lines for writing. Along the top edge, there are ten circular punch holes, suggesting it was part of a binder or folder. The paper has rounded corners and a clean, minimalist design.

## I Act On What I Learn

I will always be grateful to Allah.



**P Progress Check**



1. What is the purpose of an oath in the Qur'an?
2. How does Allah describe human beings in this surah?
3. Why does Allah take an oath by the galloping horses?

Lesson 11

# Surah al-'Adiyat: Part 2

The Galloping Horses

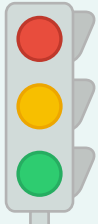


SURAH 100



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Describe what will happen to the graves on the Day of Judgement

Explain Allah's Name **al-Khabir**

Apply the lessons of this surah to my life



## Key Words

Graves - قُبُورٌ

Hearts/chests - صُدُورٌ

The All-Aware - الْخَبِيرُ

## T Thinking Starter

Why is it important to remember that we will be judged for our actions?



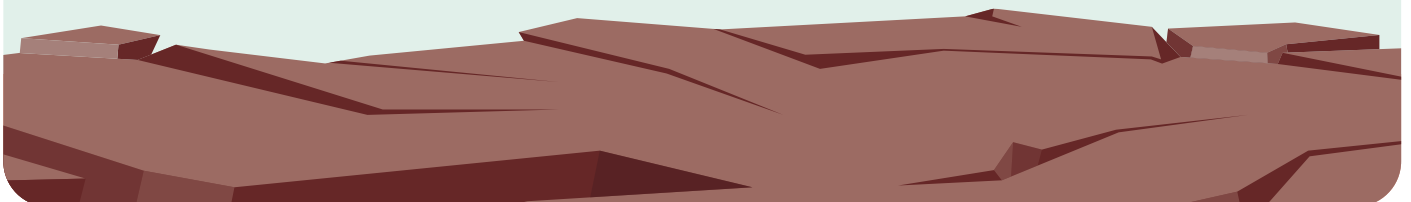
## The Warning

In the earlier verses, Allah describes human ingratitude, stinginess, and greed. Now He gives us a powerful reminder which should stop us from having these qualities:

|                                                                          |            |     |          |                     |       |          |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|----------|---------------------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| ٩                                                                        | الْقُبُورِ | فِي | مَا      | بُعْثِرَ            | إِذَا | يَعْلَمُ | أَفَلَا         |
| (9)                                                                      | the graves | in  | whatever | will be spilled out | when  | know     | does <b>not</b> |
| Does he not know when whatever is in the graves will be spilled out, (9) |            |     |          |                     |       |          |                 |

On the Day of Judgement, the graves will be overturned: everything buried inside them will burst forth and scatter onto the earth.

This ayah is a powerful reminder: Do people not realise that when this happens, everything will be very different from what they expected? This world that humans run after – money, popularity, and possessions – will come to an end. Every human will die and will have to stand before Allah.





|                                                     |             |     |          |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|----------|-------------|
| ١٠                                                  | الْصُّدُورِ | فِي | مَا      | وَحُصِّلَ   |
| (10)                                                | the hearts  | in  | whatever | and exposed |
| and whatever is in the hearts will be exposed, (10) |             |     |          |             |

Not only will bodies be brought out of the earth, the secrets inside of every person's heart will be revealed too. Nothing will stay hidden on the Day of Judgement. In this world, people can pretend and hide their bad deeds, but on that Day, everyone will be held accountable.



Allah will reveal what the **earth** hides: the body of the human.  
And He will reveal what the **heart** hides: the secrets of the human.

|                                                           |                       |            |         |            |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------|------------|--------|
| ١١                                                        | أَلَيْسَ              | يَوْمَئِذٍ | بِهِمْ  | رَبَّهُمْ  | إِنَّ  |
| (11)                                                      | [surely is] All-Aware | that Day   | of them | their Lord | indeed |
| indeed, their Lord is All-Aware of them on that Day. (11) |                       |            |         |            |        |

Allah knows everything, at every moment. But when we are reminded of His knowledge on the Day of Judgement, we stop and pay special attention, because it is the Day of reward and punishment.

On that Day, no one will be able to argue with Allah: no excuses, no pretending, and no escaping the truth. Remembering this helps us make better choices and live in a way that pleases Allah now.



## Task 1

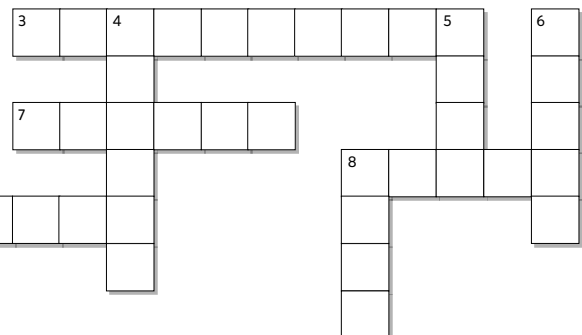
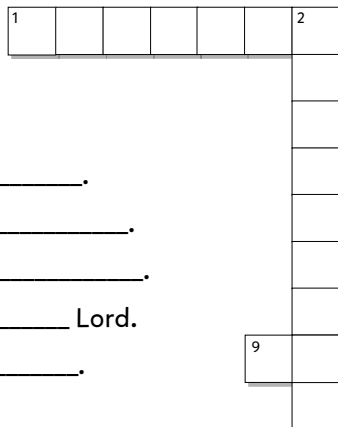
Complete the crossword.

### Across

- صَبَحًا means \_\_\_\_\_.
- كُنُودٌ means very \_\_\_\_\_.
- الْصُّدُورِ means the \_\_\_\_\_.
- رَبَّهُمْ means \_\_\_\_\_ Lord.
- شَدِيدٌ means \_\_\_\_\_.

### Down

- الْعَدِيدِ means the \_\_\_\_\_ horses.
- حُبٌّ means \_\_\_\_\_.
- أَلْقُبُورِ means \_\_\_\_\_.
- ذَلِكَ means \_\_\_\_\_.



## Allah Is al-Khabir

One of Allah's Beautiful Names is **al-Khabir**: the All-Aware. Allah knows everything: what we do openly, what we whisper quietly, what we think but never say, and what we feel but try to hide. He knows our outer actions, and He also knows the state of our hearts. Nothing is a secret from Allah!



## Did You Know?

Allah's Name al-Khabir is mentioned 45 times in the Qur'an!

**45x**



## Task 2

Answer the questions.

- 1 How can knowing that Allah is al-Khabir comfort us?

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- 2 How can knowing that Allah is al-Khabir help us stay on the right path?

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## Lessons From Surah al-'Adiyat

- ★ **Be grateful.** This surah teaches us to always recognise and thank Allah for His blessings. Everything we have is a gift from Allah. We should never think the good things we have are because of our own efforts.
- ★ **Be generous with your wealth.** It is natural to love wealth, but loving it too much can make people disobey Allah or treat others badly. We should use our wealth to help others and support the din of Allah.
- ★ **Always remember the Hereafter.** Remembering that we will die and stand before Allah helps us to remain grateful and become less attached to this temporary world.

★ **Be mindful of Allah, al-Khabir.** We should strive to have taqwa: being mindful of what we say and do, and obeying Allah in every situation.



I obey Allah!

★ **Polish your heart.** We should purify our hearts and have good intentions for our actions. On the Day of Judgement, all the secrets of our hearts will be revealed.

I polish my heart!



### Task 3

#### Role play: Dr Qalb Salim's Diagnosis of the Nafs

Inside each of us is a nafs (inner self). It can push us towards greed, selfishness and complaining. We must purify it and polish it so we stop behaving in these ways.

Work with a partner. One of you is **Dr Qalb Salim**. The other one is the patient who answers honestly. Then switch roles.



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1. What blessings do you often forget to appreciate and thank Allah for?
2. How often do you complain about small things?
3. When something good happens, do you say alhamdulillah?



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4. When Allah blesses you with something, how do you feel about sharing it?
5. How can you use what you have (big or small) to please Allah?
6. How would your actions change if you remembered the Day of Judgement more often?

### I Act On What I Learn

I will always be careful of what I say and do.



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### Progress Check



1. What will happen to the graves on the Day of Judgement?
2. What does **al-Khabir** mean?
3. How can you act on the lessons from Surah al-'Adiyat?

Lesson 12

# Surah al-Qari'ah: Part 1

The Striking Catastrophe



SURAH 101



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Define al-Qari'ah

Reflect on the description of the Day of Judgement

Explore how I can make my scale heavy on the Day of Judgement



## Key Words

The Striking Catastrophe - الْقَارِعَةُ

Mountain - جَبَلٌ (ج) جِبَالٌ

Are heavy - ثَقُلْتُ

## T Thinking Starter

How is the happiness of Jannah better than the happiness we feel in this world?



## The Striking Catastrophe

سُورَةُ الْقَارِعَةِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

|                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1                             | الْقَارِعَةُ             |
| (1)                           | the Striking Catastrophe |
| The Striking Catastrophe. (1) |                          |

This surah begins with just one short, but powerful and heavy word. It sounds like something striking suddenly and feels like a shot being fired.

**Catastrophe:** a sudden and terrible event that causes great harm or damage.

|                                       |                          |      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| 2                                     | الْقَارِعَةُ             | مَا  |
| (2)                                   | the Striking Catastrophe | what |
| What is the Striking Catastrophe? (2) |                          |      |

The word is followed by a question which makes us pause. It builds suspense and makes us wonder what's coming next.

الْقَارِعَةُ is one of the names of the Day of Judgement. It comes from the word قَرَعَ, which means to hit and knock hard. It is called this because of how it will strike people's hearts with overwhelming horror.

Its mighty earthquake, mentioned in Surah az-Zalzalah, strikes the ears, while its intensity strikes the mind and heart, leaving people frightened and confused.

|                                                                      |                          |      |                            |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------|----------------------------|-----|
| ﴿٣﴾                                                                  | الْقَارِعَةُ             | مَا  | مَا أَذْرَكَ               | وَ  |
| (3)                                                                  | the Striking Catastrophe | what | what will make you realise | and |
| And what will make you realise what the Striking Catastrophe is? (3) |                          |      |                            |     |

It is impossible for us to understand what that Day will be like. The horror of it is too great for our minds to fully grasp. No matter how frightening we imagine it to be, the true intensity of it is far greater.



### Task 1

Learn the meanings of these words using the *Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check* method.

| Look, Say, Cover                           | Write and Check | Write and Check | Write and Check |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| الْقَارِعَةُ<br>the Striking Catastrophe   |                 |                 |                 |
| مَا أَذْرَكَ<br>what will make you realise |                 |                 |                 |

## The Horrors of the Day of Judgement

|                                                          |              |              |              |         |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------|
| ﴿٤﴾                                                      | الْمَبْثُوثِ | كَالْفَرَاشِ | النَّاسُ     | يَكُونُ | يَوْمَ |
| (4)                                                      | scattered    | like moths   | [the] people | will be | day    |
| (It is) the Day people will be like scattered moths, (4) |              |              |              |         |        |

Imagine moths flying at night, moving quickly without direction, and bumping into each other. They rush towards the light of fire without understanding danger.

On the Day of Judgement, people will be like this. They will move in confusion and fear, and not knowing what to do. They will be packed together in the area where everyone will be gathered for judgement, and bump into each other. It will be a scene of complete shock, even though they had the ability to think and make good choices in this world.



|                                                                                   |              |             |               |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|  | الْمَنْفُوشِ | كَالْعِهْنِ | الْجِبَالِ    | وَتَكُونُ   |
| (5)                                                                               | carded       | like wool   | the mountains | and will be |
| and the mountains will be like carded wool. (5)                                   |              |             |               |             |

Mountains feel permanent; strong and unshakeable. But on that Day, even the mountains will become **like soft, worn-out, fluffed-up wool**, so light and weak that the slightest breeze could carry them away. Then they will crumble into scattered dust, fading away until no piece of them can be seen.

It's a frightening picture. Everything that once seemed solid will lose its strength and disappear like dust in front of our eyes.

After this, the scales will be set up. People will be divided into two groups: the successful and the losers.



## Task 2

a) How does reciting the first five verses of this surah make you feel? Why?

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b) What do these verses make you think about Allah?

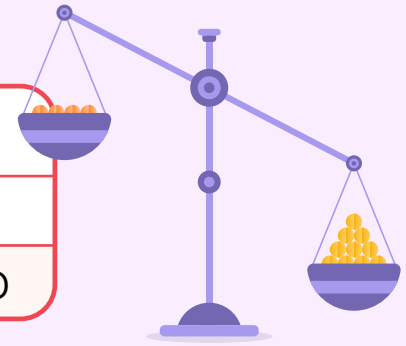
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## Eternal Bliss

|                                                                |              |           |       |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|-------------|
| ٦                                                              | مَوَازِينُهُ | ثَقُلَتْ  | مَنْ  | فَأَمَّا    |
| (6)                                                            | his scales   | are heavy | whose | then as for |
| Then, as for him whose scales are heavy (with good deeds), (6) |              |           |       |             |



|                                 |           |         |     |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----|-----------|
| ٧                               | رَاضِيَةً | عِيشَةً | فِي | فَهُوَ    |
| (7)                             | happy     | life    | in  | [then] he |
| he will be in a happy life. (7) |           |         |     |           |

The successful ones will be those whose scales will be heavy with sincere, good deeds. Allah will be pleased with them, and they will enjoy the eternal happiness of Jannah.



### Task 3

For each area, write examples of actions that could make your scales heavy or light on the Day of Judgement.

| This will make my scale of deeds heavy. | Area       | This will make my scale of deeds light. |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------|
|                                         | My mind    |                                         |
|                                         | My body    |                                         |
|                                         | My parents |                                         |
|                                         | My friends |                                         |

## I Act On What I Learn

I will always say the dhikr that will weigh very heavily on the scales: سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ، سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ.

### P Progress Check



- What does al-Qari'ah mean? ☐
- How does Allah describe the Day of Judgement in this surah? ☐
- What can you do to make your scale heavy on the Day of Judgement? ☐

Lesson 13

# Surah al-Qari'ah: Part 2

The Striking Catastrophe



SURAH 101



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify how Jahannam is described in this surah
- Review the meaning of the surah
- Reflect on the lessons from this surah



## Key Words

Are light - خَفَّتْ

Scale - مِيزَانُ (ج) مَوَازِينُ

Blazing - حَامِيَةٌ

## T Thinking Starter

Why does Allah سبحانه وتعالى repeatedly tell us about Jannah and Jahannam in the Qur'an?

## A Terrible Abode

|                                           |              |           |       |            |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| ٨                                         | مَوَازِينُهُ | خَفَّتْ   | مَنْ  | وَأَمَّا   |
| (8)                                       | his scales   | are light | whose | and as for |
| And as for he whose scales are light, (8) |              |           |       |            |

|                                 |           |            |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| ٩                               | هَآوِيَةٌ | فَأُسْمُهُ |
| (9)                             | Abyss     | his home   |
| his home will be the Abyss. (9) |           |            |

As for those who have no good deeds, or very few, their home will be the Abyss.

**Abyss:** a very deep hole or space that seems like it has no bottom.

In this world, هَآوِيَةٌ refers to a deep valley between two mountains. If a person or animal fell into it, they would die. Here, it describes **Jahannam**, a very deep and dangerous place, where people will fall deeper and deeper into its punishment.





Abu Hurayrah رضي الله عنه said: “We were with the Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم when we heard a loud sound. The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم asked: ‘Do you know what this is?’ We replied: ‘Allah and His Messenger know best.’ He said: ‘This is a stone that was thrown into the Fire seventy years ago. It kept falling until it reached its lowest depths, which is why you heard its loud sound.’” (Muslim)

- ★ أمُّ literally means “mother”: the one a child turns to for comfort and safety. But here, the meaning is far from that. Instead of comfort, there is punishment. Instead of safety, there is fear.
- ★ Just as a child stays close to its mother, this person will not be able to escape from that deep horrific place.

|                                                 |      |      |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------|------|------|--------------------------------|
| ١٠                                              | هِيَ | مَا  | وَمَا أَذْرَكَ                 |
| (10)                                            | it   | what | and what will make you realise |
| And what will make you realise what it is? (10) |      |      |                                |

Again, Allah asks a powerful question to turn our attention to the reality of the Abyss. He reminds us that we cannot fully understand it.

Just as Jannah is more beautiful and better than anything we can imagine, Jahannam is more dreadful and terrifying than we can imagine.

|                      |           |       |
|----------------------|-----------|-------|
| ١١                   | حَامِيَةً | نَارُ |
| (11)                 | blazing   | Fire  |
| A blazing Fire! (11) |           |       |

The fire of Hell will be scorching hot!



### Did You Know?

The fire of Jahannam will be 69 times hotter than the fire of this world!





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20 YEARS

30 YEARS

40 YEARS

50 YEARS

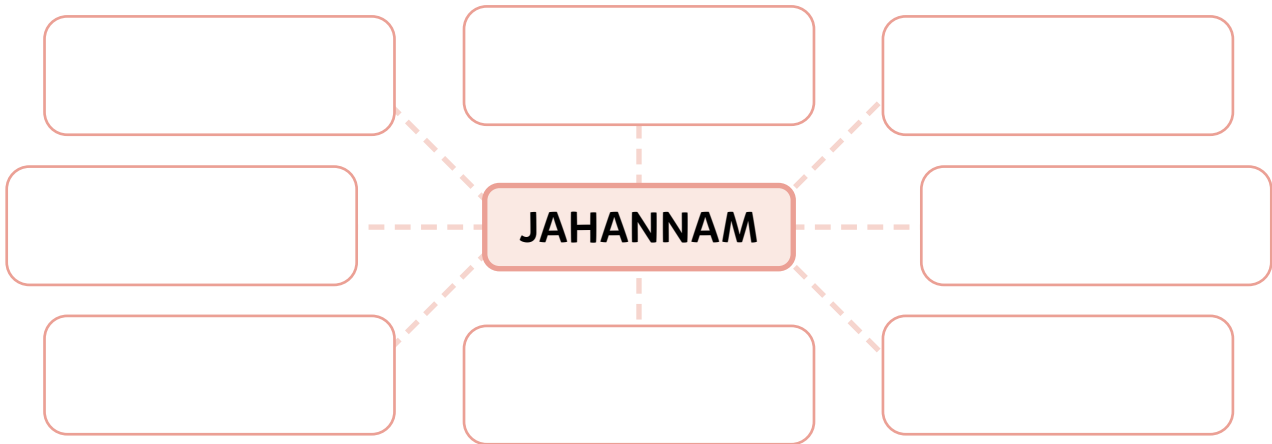
60 YEARS

70 YEARS



## Task 1

Complete the mind map with words and phrases that describe Jahannam.



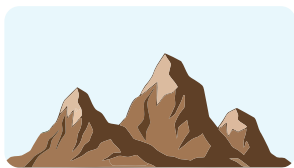
## Task 2

Write the ayah that matches each picture in Arabic, then write its meaning underneath.

Try to do it from memory!



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## Lessons From Surah al-Qari'ah

- ★ **Choose wisely.** There are two paths in life, and we should choose the path of success, so we can be eternally happy in Paradise.
- ★ **Beware of the punishment of the Hereafter.** This surah describes the horrors of the Day of Judgement. This reminds us to stay away from sins and always ask Allah to protect us from the Fire.
- ★ **Value your time.** Our deeds will be weighed on that Day. We should work hard to make our scales heavy with good deeds. Every minute is precious and every small action counts, so we must not delay doing good!



### Task 3

Write four *du'as* based on what you have learned in this surah.  
Include some Names of Allah in your *du'as*.

1

2

3

4

## I Act On What I Learn

Face the qiblah and make *du'a* for 2 minutes.  
Include the *du'as* you wrote today.



## P Progress Check



- What does al-Qari'ah mean?
- What is the main message of this surah?
- What lessons from this surah can you apply in your daily life?

Lesson 14

# Surah at-Takathur: Part 1

Competition for More



SURAH 102



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Explain 'takathur'

Reflect on the consequences of worldly competition

Compare good and bad competition



## Key Words

Competition for more - التَّكَاثُرُ

To know - عَلِمَ يَعْلَمُ

Certainty - الْيَقِينُ

## T Thinking Starter

Do you enjoy competing with others? Why?



## Distracted by the Dunya

سُورَةُ التَّكَاثُرِ

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

| 1                                       | التَّكَاثُرُ         | أَلْهَكُمُ    |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| (1)                                     | competition for more | distracts you |
| Competition for more distracts you, (1) |                      |               |

Competition for more distracts you from **obeying Allah** and **preparing for the Hereafter**.

Our true purpose in life is to worship Allah alone and prepare for the Hereafter. In this ayah, Allah warns the people who are distracted from their true purpose in life.

What is distracting these people? The endless race for more! Allah does not mention one specific thing because people compete for so many different things: wealth, children, power, or popularity.



|                                 |              |           |        |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------|--------|
| ٢                               | الْمَقَابِرَ | زُرْتُمْ  | حَتَّى |
| (2)                             | the graves   | you reach | until  |
| until you reach the graves. (2) |              |           |        |



You become so distracted and busy in this race...until suddenly, life ends. Everything becomes clear then, but it is too late to change.

You will leave behind everything you compete for – money, homes, fame, and power – and you will be placed in narrow graves, where there is no pride, no status, and no competition.



What can we learn from this?

### Crystal Clear

|                                 |               |        |        |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| ٣                               | تَعْلَمُونَ   | سَوْفَ | كَلَّا |
| (3)                             | you will know | soon   | no!    |
| But no! You will soon know. (3) |               |        |        |

You will soon know the **consequences** of your ignorance and choosing this temporary world over the eternal life of the Hereafter.

|                                    |               |        |        |       |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|-------|
| ٤                                  | تَعْلَمُونَ   | سَوْفَ | كَلَّا | ثُمَّ |
| (4)                                | you will know | soon   | no!    | then  |
| Again, no! You will soon know. (4) |               |        |        |       |

Allah repeats the warning to make it stronger. The word كَلَّا is powerful. Allah wants us to: Stop! Think! Wake up! It is like a flashing red warning sign.

Both these ayahs offer a sharp warning and remind us to focus on the Hereafter!



**WARNING: DON'T BE DISTRACTED BY WORLDLY COMPETITIONS.**

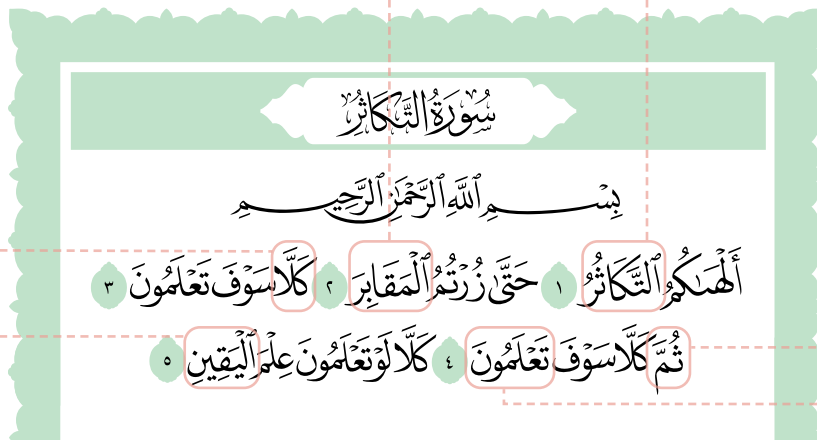
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| ٥                                                    | الْيَقِينَ | عِلْمَ      | تَعْلَمُونَ | لَوْ | كَلَّا |
| (5)                                                  | certainty  | [knowledge] | you know    | if   | no!    |
| No! If only you knew [your fate] with certainty! (5) |            |             |             |      |        |

When you **truly believe** that you will be resurrected, you won't waste your time competing over worldly things. Instead, you will prepare for the Hereafter.



## Task 1

Write the meaning of the words.



## More, More, More!

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said: "If the son of Adam had a valley full of gold, he would love to have two valleys." (Bukhari) This shows something about human nature: we always want more, especially more wealth.



We can control this greed and desire of wanting more by thinking about death. Will we take our money to our graves? What will make our graves a beautiful resting place?

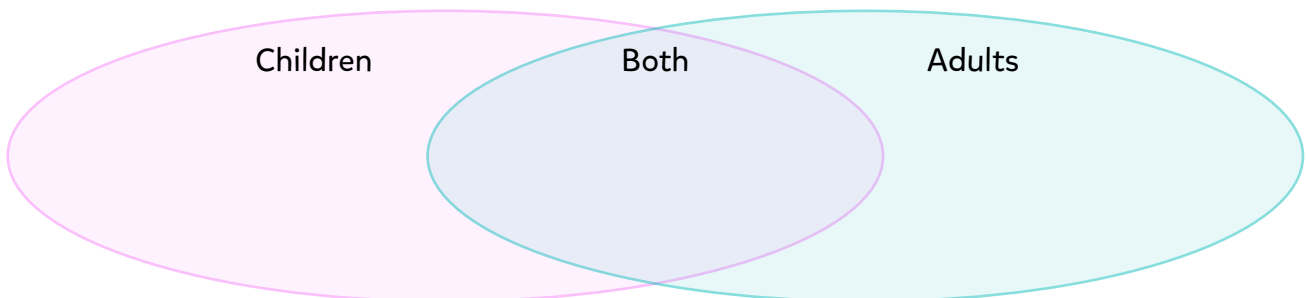


How can competing for worldly things make our hearts rusty? Which 'diseases' of the heart can it lead to?



## Task 2

a) What do people compete for? Write as many examples as you can. You can even interview an adult.



b) Is competing for more always bad? Why or why not?

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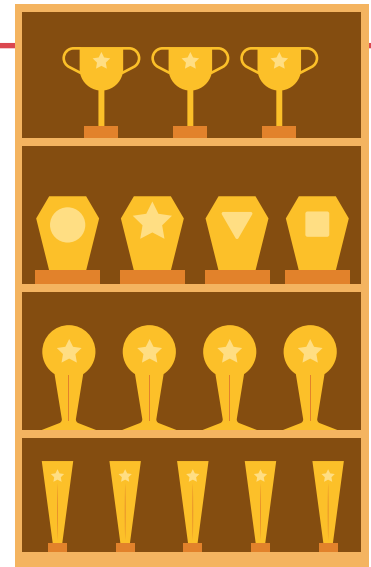
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## Task 3

## Finish off the story.

The cabinet sparkled with medals, certificates, and trophies. Everyone admired it, and Bilal felt proud every time he walked past. But one afternoon, as he stood alone staring at his reflection in the glass, he wondered why his heart still felt empty...

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## I Act On What I Learn

I will compete with others in doing good deeds.

## Progress Check



1. What does 'takathur' mean?
2. What are the consequences of worldly competition?
3. Give examples of good and bad competition.

Lesson 15

# Surah at-Takathur: Part 2

Competition for More

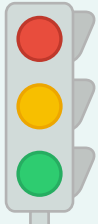


SURAH 102



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Review the meaning of Surah at-Takathur
- Compose an advice-column response inspired by the surah
- Reflect on how I can live by Surah at-Takathur



## Key Words

- Then - ثُمَّ
- To ask - سَأَلَ يَسْأَلُ
- The pleasures - النَّعِيمُ

## T Thinking Starter

If you had a valley full of gold, what would you do with it?



## From Distraction to Reality

|                                  |            |                               |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| ٦                                | الْجَحِيمِ | لَتَرَوُنَّ                   |
| (6)                              | Hell       | you will <b>certainly</b> see |
| You will certainly see Hell, (6) |            |                               |

On the Day of Judgement, you will surely see the blazing Fire that Allah has prepared for the disbelievers.

|                                                                |            |        |                                  |             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| ٧                                                              | الْيَقِينِ | عَيْنَ | لَتَرَوُنَّهَا                   | ثُمَّ       |
| (7)                                                            | certainty  | eye    | you will <b>certainly</b> see it | <b>then</b> |
| Then, you will certainly see it with the eye of certainty. (7) |            |        |                                  |             |

You will definitely see it with your own eyes.

Seeing something with your own eyes makes it more real and makes your belief stronger.

- ★ You read about the Ka'bah and believe that it is beautiful → عِلْمُ الْيَقِينِ (Certainty through knowledge)
- ★ You visit the Ka'bah and see its beauty with your own eyes → عَيْنُ الْيَقِينِ (Certainty through seeing)





| ثُمَّ                                                                             | لَتُسْأَلُنَّ                            | يَوْمَئِذٍ | عَنِ  | التَّعِيمِ    | ٨   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| then                                                                              | you will <b>definitely</b> be questioned | that Day   | about | the pleasures | (8) |
| Then, on that Day, you will definitely be questioned about all the pleasures. (8) |                                          |            |       |               |     |

Allah سبحانه وتعالى will ask you about every blessing and enjoyment in this world: food and drink, clothes, health, safety, etc.

You will be asked: Did you thank Allah for your blessings? Did you use them to obey Him? Did you earn them in a halal way? Did you share with those in need, or did you keep them all to yourself?



## Task 1

Find the correct ayah for each explanation and write it in Arabic. If you find it difficult to write in Arabic, you may write one key word or the ayah number instead.

| Brief Explanation                                                                                          | Ayah |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| You will see the Blazing Fire with your own eyes.                                                          |      |
| You became distracted from obeying Allah because you were too busy competing for more wealth and children. |      |
| You will soon know the consequences of your actions.                                                       |      |
| You will be questioned about the blessings you received.                                                   |      |

IT'S STORY TIME!

## The Blessed Guests

One day, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ met Abu Bakr and 'Umar رضي الله عنهما in the streets. He ﷺ asked them, "What has brought you out of your homes at this hour?"

They replied, "Hunger, O Messenger of Allah."

He ﷺ said, "By the One in whose Hand is my soul, the same thing has brought me out. Come along!"

They went to an Ansari Companion's house. He was not home, but his wife welcomed them warmly.

The Prophet ﷺ asked her the whereabouts of her husband. She said, "He has gone to fetch some water for us." When the Companion returned, he was delighted to see the Prophet ﷺ and his two special Companions. He said: "Praise be to Allah! There is no one today with more noble guests than me!"

He brought them an assortment of dates: dry, fresh, and unripe, and said, "Eat." He then slaughtered a sheep and prepared a meal for them with it. They all ate and drank.



When they were satisfied, the Prophet ﷺ said to Abu Bakr and 'Umar رضي الله عنهما, "By the One in whose Hand is my soul, **you will be questioned about these blessings on the Day of Resurrection.** Hunger brought you out of your homes, and you did not return until you received these blessings."

## Lessons From Surah at-Takathur

- ★ **Don't let this world distract you.** Surah at-Takathur is a stern warning. Today, there are so many distractions: games, gadgets, popularity, and money. Life is not about having the most fun or the most money. We must learn to prioritise what truly matters: we live to worship and please Allah.
- ★ **Make the most of life.** Life is short and, before we know it, we will return to Allah. We should not wait until we are older to change or become better people. We should not delay in doing good. The best time to start is now.
- ★ **Be grateful for your blessings.** We should always reflect on the blessings Allah gives us, thank Him, and use them in the right way: to please Him and help us enter Jannah.
- ★ **Visit the graveyard.** We should visit the graveyard and remember death. This helps us stay focused on our purpose and reminds us to live in a way that Allah loves.



## Task 2

Help Aunt Aminah, the school magazine's advice columnist, to write a reply to 'The Dreamer'.

### ASK AMINAH

Your Trusted Guide to School Life and Spiritual Well-being

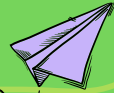
Dear Aunt Aminah,

I want to be rich and famous when I grow up. I want to be the richest person in the world so I can buy a chocolate factory, a house with a pool and a trampoline, and all the coolest games and gadgets. My dream is to never have to do boring things like cleaning my room.

I want to be as famous as the top footballers, so that everyone knows my name. But sometimes I feel guilty for thinking like this. Please help!

From,

The Dreamer



**Quranic Tarbiyah**  
MAGAZINE



Dear Dreamer,

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Aunt Aminah



## Task 3

What can you do every day to live by Surah at-Takathur?

### I Act On What I Learn

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## Progress Check



1. What does Surah at-Takathur teach you about blessings?
2. Share two key messages of Surah at-Takathur.
3. How can you live by Surah at-Takathur?

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I Learn, I Act, I Share

## QUR'AN IN SALAH

LEARNING FOR A  
**Life With Allah**

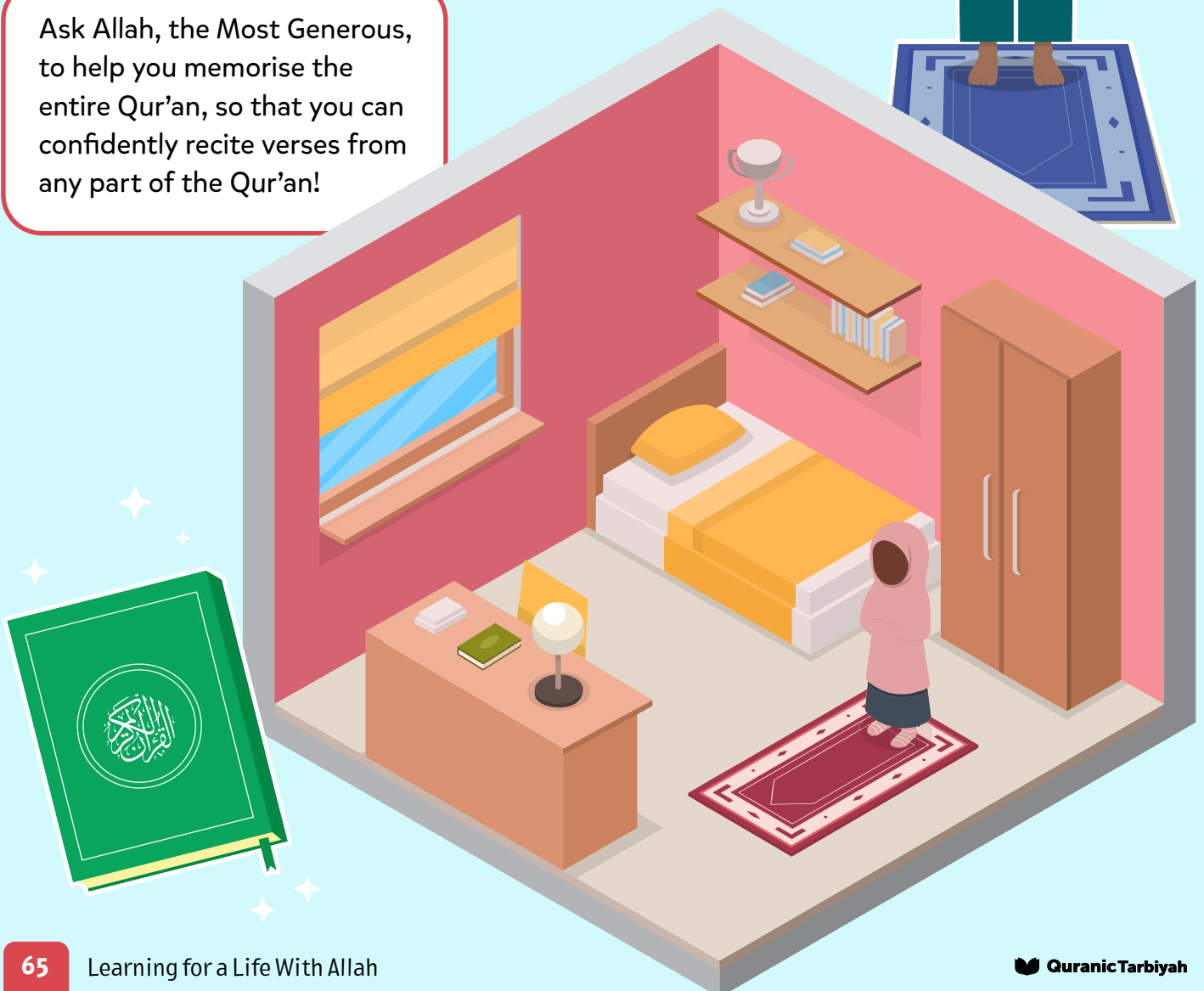
One of the most special times to recite the Qur'an is during salah. When you turn 10, it's important to try your utmost best to **never miss a single salah**.

Salah is truly beautiful. It is your daily meeting with Allah, five times a day. It is your chance to **speak** to Him and **feel close** to Him. It is a conversation, a connection, and a special moment just for you and your Lord.

You can improve and enjoy your salah by:

1. Reciting Qur'an and the adhkar of salah calmly and beautifully.
2. Reciting **different surahs or parts** that you've memorised. Instead of repeating the same two or three surahs every time, build the habit of reciting all the Qur'an you know in your salah.

Ask Allah, the Most Generous, to help you memorise the entire Qur'an, so that you can confidently recite verses from any part of the Qur'an!



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# Imam al-Qurtubi رحمه الله



Passed away in: 671 AH

Imam Abu ‘Abdillah Muhammad ibn Ahmad al-Khazraji al-Ansari **al-Qurtubi** was born in Cordoba (قُرْطُبَة) in **al-Andalus, Islamic Spain**, around 600 AH. At the time, the cities of al-Andalus were filled with magnificent masajid, libraries, schools, palaces, and scholars. It was one of the greatest civilisations in the world.

Imam al-Qurtubi’s early life was simple and difficult. As a young boy, he carried heavy bricks and soil for builders. Despite this, **he loved learning. He spent long hours studying** the Qur’an, Arabic, poetry, and fiqh, and grew up to become a brilliant scholar.



## The Fall of al-Andalus

During Imam al-Qurtubi’s lifetime, al-Andalus began to crumble. Muslims became divided, and Christian armies invaded Muslim lands. Cities once filled with Islam and knowledge began falling one by one. During an attack on Cordoba in 627 AH, Imam al-Qurtubi’s father was killed.

A few years later, in 633 AH, Cordoba fell to the Christians. The city that had once echoed with the adhan and Islamic learning no longer belonged to the Muslims. Imam al-Qurtubi was deeply affected by these events. In his writings, he spoke about the corruption of the rulers, injustice,

and people turning away from the din.

He was forced to leave al-Andalus and travel to Egypt. He settled there, learning and teaching Islamic knowledge until he passed away.





## THIS REALLY HAPPENED!

One day, during an attack in al-Andalus, Imam al-Qurtubi was forced to flee from enemy soldiers. As he escaped, he found himself alone in a wide open area with nowhere to hide.

Soon, two enemy horsemen came searching for him. There was nowhere to run or hide! Imam al-Qurtubi began reciting Surah Yasin and other ayahs from the Qur'an.

The horsemen rode straight past him but couldn't see him. They turned around and passed by him again, yet they still couldn't see him. Confused, one of the soldiers said, "This is a devil!"

Allah protected Imam al-Qurtubi through the blessings of the Qur'an!



The great tafsir book authored by Imam al-Qurtubi.

## The Great Author

The Qur'an was the centre of Imam al-Qurtubi's life. He dedicated himself to studying it, reflecting upon it, teaching it, defending it, and explaining its meanings to others. This led him to author **one of the greatest tafsir books** in history: *al-Jami' li-Ahkam al-Quran*.

He also authored other great books, including books about the Names of Allah and the Hereafter.



LOVE LEARNING AND  
READING BOOKS LIKE  
IMAM AL-QURTUBI

رحمه الله!



## The Scholar Who Lived the Qur'an

Even through hardship and sadness, Imam al-Qurtubi never stopped seeking knowledge. He dedicated his life to worship, reading, teaching, and writing. He was known for being **humble, sincere, simple, and brave** in speaking the truth.

He did not care for wealth or fame. Instead, he cared about pleasing Allah and preparing for the Hereafter.



O Allah, reward Imam al-Qurtubi رحمه الله for everything he did for our Ummah!

Lesson 16

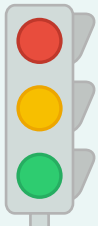
# Surah al-Baqarah: An Introduction

The Cow



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify the virtues of Surah al-Baqarah
- Outline the main message of Surah al-Baqarah
- Reflect on its powerful opening verse



## Key Words

The Cow - الْبَقَرَةُ  
Abandoning  
Theme

## T Thinking Starter

Why does Shaytan not like places where the Qur'an is recited?



## The Virtues of Surah al-Baqarah

Surah al-Baqarah is the **second and longest** surah of the Qur'an, and it is very special. The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

**"Do not turn your homes into graves. Indeed, Shaytan flees from a house in which Surah al-Baqarah is recited."** (Muslim)

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم also said:

**"Recite the Qur'an, for it will come on the Day of Resurrection as an intercessor for its reciters. Recite the two shining surahs, al-Baqarah and Aal 'Imran, for they will come on the Day of Resurrection like two clouds, or two shades, or two flocks of birds in rows, defending their reciters. Recite Surah al-Baqarah, for taking it brings blessing, abandoning it brings regret, and it cannot be overcome by magicians."** (Muslim)



**SURAH AL-BAQARAH =  
ENDLESS BLESSINGS AND A MIGHTY SHIELD!**





## Task 1

Match each phrase from the above hadiths to its correct explanation.

"Do not turn your homes into graves"

"it will come on the Day of Resurrection as an intercessor"

"it cannot be overcome by magicians"

"taking it brings blessings"

They cannot recite it. They also cannot harm whoever recites it as it is a very strong protection.

Do not make them 'dead' places: empty of dhikr, Qur'an, and salah.

Reciting it regularly, reflecting on it, and acting upon it.

The Qur'an will be given the special ability to speak and will ask Allah to forgive the person.

## Surah al-Baqarah: Themes and Stories

Surah al-Baqarah covers many topics, including key beliefs and laws. Its central **theme** is submission to Allah (Islam). It calls all humanity to worship Allah and teaches us how to build a strong Ummah.



### What does submission mean?

Surah al-Baqarah contains many amazing stories filled with important lessons:

Adam عليه السلام and the Angels

The Yellow Cow

Talut and Jalut

Banu Isra'il

Ibrahim عليه السلام and His Family

'Uzayr عليه السلام and the Donkey

### Surah al-Baqarah

**Law:** worship, marriage, money matters, punishments, and other laws.

**Beliefs:** principles of iman, proofs of Allah's Oneness, and life after death.

 Surah al-Baqarah contains the best ayah in the Qur'an. Do you know what it's called?  
[Hint: it should be recited every morning and night, and after every salah.]



## Task 2

Write questions for the answers below.

Q \_\_\_\_\_ ?

A Surah al-Baqarah

Q \_\_\_\_\_ ?

A Submission to Allah and building a strong Ummah.

## The First Verses

Surah al-Baqarah begins by introducing the incredible Book we're reciting.  
Allah سبحانه وتعالى says:

أَلَمْ ۙ ذَٰلِكَ الْكِتَٰبُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ

“Alif Laam Meem. This Book has no doubt in it: a guidance for those who are mindful of God.” (Surah al-Baqarah:1-2)

There is no doubt in the Qur'an. It is 100% true. There are no mistakes, no confusion, and no lies in it. Allah sent down the Qur'an to guide us to the truth and to tell us what will benefit us both in this life and the Next Life.



### Did You Know?

أَلَمْ is an example of al-huruf al-muqatta'ah: special single letters at the beginning of 29 surahs of the Qur'an.

Only Allah truly knows their meaning. They are a miracle and remind us that the Qur'an is made from simple letters, yet no one can produce anything like it!





### Task 3

It's Halaqah Time!

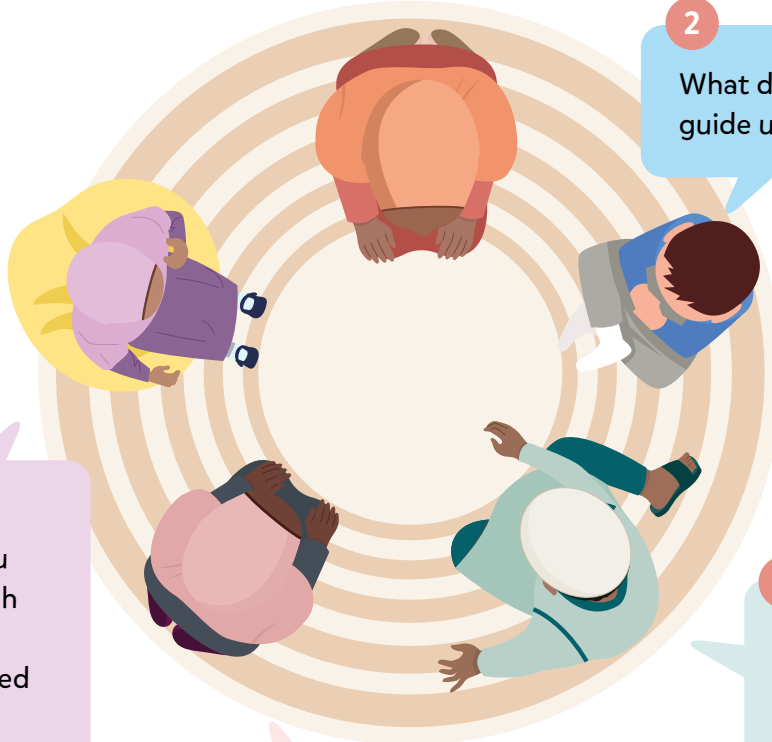
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Why do we need guidance?

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What does the Qur'an guide us towards?

3  
Why is the Qur'an the best guidance?

4  
Can you think of a time when following Allah's guidance helped you do the right thing?

5  
Can you share anything else you know about Surah al-Baqarah that was not mentioned today?



### I Act On What I Learn

I will recite the entire Surah al-Baqarah in my home this year.

### P Progress Check



1. What did the Prophet ﷺ say about Surah al-Baqarah?



2. What is the main message of Surah al-Baqarah?



3. What can we learn from the opening verses of Surah al-Baqarah?



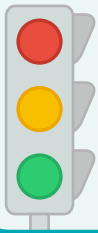
Lesson 17

# Stories From Surah al-Baqarah: The Yellow Cow



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Summarise the story of the cow
- Reflect on the lessons learned from this story
- Explain how the story connects to the main theme of Surah al-Baqarah



## Key Words

- To command - أَمَرَ يَأْمُرُ
- To slaughter - ذَبَحَ يَذْبَحُ
- Defects

## T Thinking Starter

Why does Allah سبحانه وتعالى tell us stories about people from the past in the Qur'an?

### IT'S STORY TIME!

## The Yellow Cow and the Mystery of the Dead Man

During the time of Prophet Musa عليه السلام, a wealthy man from Banu Isra'il was found murdered. No one knew who had killed him, so they went to Prophet Musa عليه السلام and asked for help.

Musa عليه السلام prayed to Allah for guidance. Allah responded to him, so Musa عليه السلام told his people:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُكُمْ أَنْ تَذْبَحُوا بَقْرَةً

"...Indeed Allah commands you to slaughter a cow..."

(Surah al-Baqarah:67)

"Are you making fun of us?" exclaimed the people.  
Musa عليه السلام replied, "God forbid that I should be so ignorant."



## The Endless Questions

Instead of obeying straight away, the people began asking question after question. "Call on your Lord for us, to show us what kind of cow it should be," they rudely demanded.

Musa عليه السلام asked Allah سبحانه وتعالى, and Allah سبحانه وتعالى instructed him to tell them that the cow should be **neither old nor young, but of middle age.**

This should have been enough, but they continued to delay carrying out Allah's command. They now wanted to know what colour the cow should be! Musa عليه السلام again asked Allah. Allah answered: **Bright yellow and pleasing to look at.**

Still not satisfied, they demanded, "Call upon your Lord so that He may make clear to us which cow, because all cows look the same to us. Then, inshaAllah, we will be guided to the right one."

This time they remembered to say inshaAllah! So Musa عليه السلام asked Allah سبحانه وتعالى once more. Allah specified: the cow must **not have been used for farming, must have no defects, and must be completely yellow.**

Only then did the people say, "Now you have brought the truth!"

## The Miracle

At last, they found a cow that matched the description and slaughtered it. Then Musa عليه السلام took a part of it and touched the murdered man with it. By Allah's power, the dead man came back to life! Musa عليه السلام asked him who had killed him. The man revealed his killer, and then he died again.

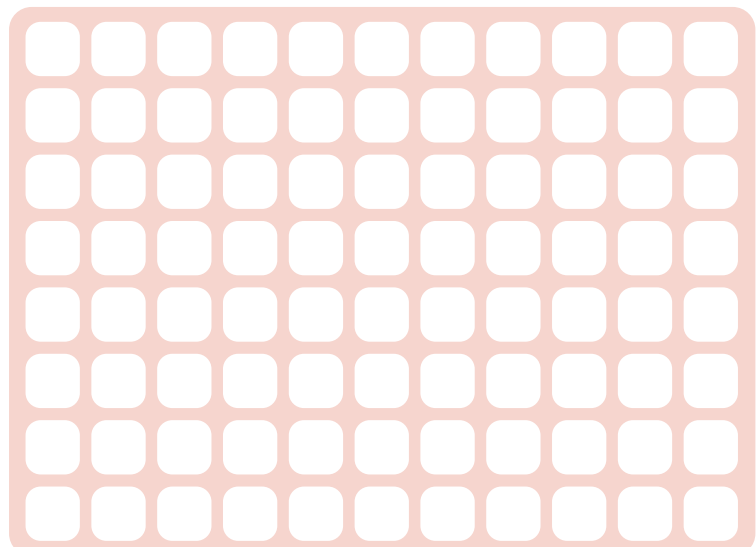
The people witnessed a **clear miracle** with their own eyes. The truth was finally uncovered!



## Task 1

Create a word search based on the key events and lessons from the story. Swap books with your classmate and complete each other's word search.

Word list:



## Lessons From This Story

1

This story shows Allah's great **power**. He brought a dead man back to life and made him identify the truth.

2

We shouldn't be like Banu Isra'il, who asked unnecessary questions, delayed following Allah's commands, and were disrespectful to Him.

3

We should rush to obey Allah and **submit** to His commands.

4

The **truth** may be hidden for a time, but in the end, it will always win over falsehood.



### Task 2

How does this story connect to the main theme of Surah al-Baqarah?

[Hint: Look at the previous lesson]

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## Task 3

### Write a letter to Prophet Musa عليه السلام.

In your letter:

- Share your thoughts about what happened in the story
- Write one or two questions you would like to ask him about it
- Explain what you learned from this story
- Describe **one way** you will try to act on this lesson in your own life

[illegible]

## Progress Check



1. Why did Allah tell Banu Isra'il to slaughter a cow?



2. What lessons did you learn from this story?



3. How does the story connect to the overall theme of Surah al-Baqarah?



Lesson 18

# Ayat al-Kursi: Part 1



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Explore why Ayat al-Kursi is the greatest ayah
- State the meaning of 'Allah'
- Reflect on Allah's Names **al-Hayy** and **al-Qayyum**



## Key Words

The Ever Living - **الْحَيُّ**

The All-Sustaining - **الْقَيُّومُ**

Sleep - **نَوْمٌ**

## T Thinking Starter

What is the most important and truthful fact you know?



## The Greatest Ayah

Ayat al-Kursi is the greatest verse of the Qur'an because it beautifully describes who Allah is. The most magnificent verses in the Qur'an are those that speak about Allah, as there is no one more majestic, more powerful, or more beautiful than Allah سبحانه وتعالى.

The ayah begins with the single word 'Allah', and then mentions more than twenty of Allah's incredible Names and Attributes.

Ayat al-Kursi is a precious gift from Allah, our Creator and Master.







## Task 1

Read the text and write a synonym for the highlighted words.

Once, our beloved Prophet ﷺ asked the great Qur'an Champion, Ubayy ibn Ka'b رضي الله عنه, "Abu al-Mundhir, do you know which ayah from the Book of Allah that you have is the **greatest**?"

Ubayy رضي الله عنه respectfully **replied**, "Allah and His Messenger know best."

The Prophet ﷺ then asked him the same question again. This time, Ubayy رضي الله عنه said it was Ayat al-Kursi.

The Prophet ﷺ was so happy that he tapped him on the chest and said, "By Allah, may knowledge bring you **joy**, O Abu al-Mundhir!"




## Who Is Allah?

|                                                     |        |                       |     |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|-----|---------|
| هُوَ                                                | إِلَّا | إِلَهَ                | لَا | اللَّهُ |
| He                                                  | except | god worthy of worship | no  | Allah   |
| Allah, there is no god worthy of worship except He, |        |                       |     |         |

Ayat al-Kursi begins with the word 'Allah'. Many scholars say that 'Allah' is the Greatest Name of Allah. It is the most frequently mentioned Name in the Qur'an, appearing over 2,500 times. The Name 'Allah' means: **The One who is truly loved, adored, and worshipped.**

The ayah begins by establishing the greatest truth of all: Allah is the Only One True God and He **alone deserves to be worshipped.**



|                                      |                 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| الْقَيُّومُ                          | الْحَيُّ        |
| The All-Sustaining                   | The Ever Living |
| The Ever Living, The All-Sustaining. |                 |

### Al-Hayy: The Ever Living



- Allah has **perfect life**: He sees and hears absolutely everything. He has complete knowledge and power.
- Allah was always there before the heavens and earth, and He will **never die**.
- He alone gives life to living things. Allah is the ultimate source of all life!

### Al-Qayyum: The All-Sustaining



- Allah **maintains, manages, and looks after everything in the heavens and the earth**.
- All creation depends on Him to exist, but He needs nothing. He is completely Self-Sustaining and **independent of His creation**.
- Allah alone is the Sustainer of all!

|                                             |            |                      |     |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|-----|
| وَلَا نَوْمٌ                                | سِنَةٌ     | تَأْخُذُهُ           | لَا |
| (and) <b>nor</b> sleep                      | drowsiness | overtakes <b>Him</b> | no  |
| Neither drowsiness nor sleep overtakes Him. |            |                      |     |

Anyone who needs sleep cannot fully manage or take care of others. Sleep is a sign of weakness. But Allah is perfect and free from all weakness. Our beloved Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم said, "Allah does not sleep, and it is not fitting that He should sleep." (Muslim)

Not only that, Allah does not even feel **drowsy**! This is very comforting for us. Unlike humans, Allah is always awake and taking care of us. We do not need to worry about the heavens or the earth falling apart, nor do we need to worry that Allah might not be available when we need Him.





## Task 2

Join the letters to form a Name of Allah and then write its meaning.

ا + ل + ح + ي = الْحَيُّ

ا + ل + ق + ي + و + م =

ا + ل + ل + ه =



## Task 3

Imagine you had to stand and hold two glasses of water all night.

1 How long could you stay awake? How many nights could you do it?

\_\_\_\_\_

2 What does this teach you about yourself?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 How does this connect to Allah's Names al-Hayy and al-Qayyum?

\_\_\_\_\_



## I Act On What I Learn

Whenever I recite Ayat al-Kursi, I will think about its meaning.

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## Progress Check



1. Why is Ayat al-Kursi the greatest ayah?

2. What does 'Allah' mean?

3. What do Allah's Names al-Hayy and al-Qayyum teach us about Him?

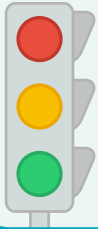
Lesson 19

# Ayat al-Kursi: Part 2



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- List when I should recite Ayat al-Kursi
- Explain what happens when we believe Allah is the Supreme Master
- Reflect on the complete knowledge of Allah



## Key Words

To intercede - يَشْفَعُ

Permission - إِذْنٌ

Thing - شَيْءٌ

## T Thinking Starter

When do you recite Ayat al-Kursi? Why?



### IT'S STORY TIME!

## When the Cunning Liar Told the Truth

One night in Ramadan, the Messenger of Allah ﷺ assigned Abu Hurayrah رضي الله عنه to guard the zakah food. A man snuck in and tried stealing from it. Abu Hurayrah caught him and said, "By Allah, I will take you to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ!" The man said, "I am poor, I have dependents, and I am in great need." Abu Hurayrah رضي الله عنه felt sorry for him and let him go.

The next morning, the Prophet ﷺ asked Abu Hurayrah, "O Abu Hurayrah, what did your captive do last night?" He replied, "O Messenger of Allah, he complained of severe need and family who rely on him, so I showed mercy and let him go." The Prophet ﷺ said, "He lied to you and he will return."

As the Prophet ﷺ had said, the same thing happened the next night. And the next! And the next!

On the third night, when Abu Hurayrah caught him, he said, "I will take you to the Messenger of Allah ﷺ! This is the last time now. You claim you won't return, yet you do." The man said, "Let me go and I will teach you words by which Allah will benefit you." "What are they?" asked Abu Hurayrah رضي الله عنه.

The man told him to **recite Ayat al-Kursi** at night before going to sleep. “If you do, a **guardian from Allah will protect you, and no devil will come near you until morning**,” he explained.

The next morning, the Prophet ﷺ asked, “What did your captive do last night?” Abu Hurayrah replied, “O Messenger of Allah, he claimed he would teach me words by which Allah would benefit me, so I let him go.” Abu Hurayrah told the Prophet ﷺ what the man had said about Ayat al-Kursi.

The Prophet ﷺ said, “Even though he is a massive liar, he told you the truth. Do you know who you were speaking to for three nights, O Abu Hurayrah?” He replied, “No.” The Prophet ﷺ said, “That was Shaytan.”



### Task 1

Fill in the blank from the story above.

It is sunnah to recite Ayat al-Kursi:

1. Before sleeping —————→ \_\_\_\_\_
2. After every fard prayer —————→ Entry to Jannah
3. In the morning and evening —————→ Protection from the devils

**Reward**

### Allah Is the True Master

|        |            |     |              |                |               |
|--------|------------|-----|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| لَهُ   | مَا        | فِي | السَّمَوَاتِ | وَمَا          | فِي الْأَرْضِ |
| to Him | what(ever) | in  | the heavens  | and (what)ever | on the earth  |

**To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth.**

Allah is the Master and Owner of everything. He is the King of all that is in the heavens and the earth. Nothing happens unless Allah wills it.

The things we ‘own’ are not really ours; they are gifts from Allah for us to use. When we truly believe this, our hearts become **content** and **humble**. We let go of greed and stop chasing worldly pleasures. Whether Allah tests us with wealth or poverty, our hearts remain attached to Him: the True Owner of everything. This part of the verse also gives us **comfort**, as we know exactly who to turn to for all our needs!

|      |        |         |           |          |          |                     |
|------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| مَنْ | ذَا    | الَّذِي | يَشْفَعُ  | عِنْدَهُ | إِلَّا   | بِإِذْنِهِ          |
| who  | [this] | that    | intercede | with Him | [except] | with His permission |

Who is it that can intercede with Him without His permission?



**What does intercede mean?** [Hint: Lesson 16]

After mentioning His ownership and complete control, Allah tells us that nobody can intercede unless He allows it. This teaches us that Allah is One and Unique and He is the Most Powerful. No one shares His power or authority. Only those whom Allah gives permission to, such as our beloved Messenger صلى الله عليه وسلم, will be allowed to intercede on the Day of Judgement.

## Allah Is The All-Knowing

|          |      |                    |                               |
|----------|------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| يَعْلَمُ | مَا  | بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ | وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ              |
| He knows | what | before them        | and what [will be] after them |

He knows what is before them and what will be after them,

Allah has full knowledge of the past, present, and future. He knows what happens in this world and what will happen in the Hereafter.

This should make us **careful** about what we say and do. And it should help us feel **content** with His decree, because He knows what is best.

|                           |          |       |               |        |          |          |
|---------------------------|----------|-------|---------------|--------|----------|----------|
| وَلَا يُحِيطُونَ          | بِشَيْءٍ | مِّنْ | عِلْمِهِ      | إِلَّا | بِمَا    | شَاءَ    |
| and they do not encompass | thing    | from  | His knowledge | except | for what | He wills |

and they do not encompass anything of His knowledge except for what He wills.

Whilst Allah knows everything, we know very little. We only know what Allah allows us to know. We only know about the unseen, such as angels and the Day of Judgement, from what Allah chose to tell us through His Messengers.



## Task 2

### Test your vocabulary!

Prepare a mini quiz using words from Ayat al-Kursi. Write the correct answer and two incorrect answers. Swap your book with a classmate and complete each other's quiz. Make sure you give them a score!

a) عِلْمٌ means:

b)

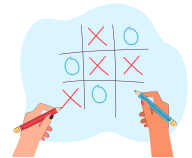
c)

d)



## Task 3

Play **Noughts and Crosses** with your partner. You can only mark a box when you answer its question correctly.



|                                                                      |                                                                 |                                                                       |
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| What does intercede mean?                                            | Who will be allowed to intercede on the Day of Judgement?       | What does Allah's Name al-Qayyum mean?                                |
| What did Shaytan tell Abu Hurayrah رضي الله عنه about Ayat al-Kursi? | How can we worship Allah with His Name al-'Alim?                | What is the reward of reciting Ayah al-Kursi after every fard prayer? |
| What does Allah's Name al-Hayy mean?                                 | What happens when we believe Allah is the Master of everything? | What does reciting Ayat al-Kursi protect us from?                     |

**I Act On What I Learn** I will always recite Ayat al-Kursi \_\_\_\_\_ (specify time).

## P Progress Check



1. When should you recite Ayat al-Kursi?

2. How should believing that 'Allah is the Master of everything' affect us?

3. How should believing that 'Allah is All-Knowing' affect us?

Lesson 20

# Ayat al-Kursi: Part 3



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Review the meaning of Ayat al-Kursi

Reflect on the greatness of Allah

Explore how I can act upon Ayat al-Kursi



## Key Words

To extend - وَسِعَ

The Most High - الْعَلِيُّ

The Magnificent - الْعَظِيمُ

## T Thinking Starter

Why is Ayat al-Kursi the best ayah in the Qur'an?



## Allah Is The Most Magnificent

|                                                   |              |             |         |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------|
| وَالْأَرْضَ                                       | السَّمَوَاتِ | كُرْسِيِّهِ | وَسِعَ  |
| and the earth                                     | the heavens  | His Kursi   | extends |
| His Kursi extends over the heavens and the earth, |              |             |         |

Allah now introduces us to one of His greatest creations: the Kursi (footstool) of Allah. The Kursi of Allah is HUGE beyond imagination!

The Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم said, "The seven heavens in comparison to the Kursi is nothing but like a ring thrown in a desert, and the excellence of the Throne of Allah over the Kursi is like the excellence of that desert over that ring." (Bayhaqi)

Imagine a tiny ring in the middle of a huge desert. This is how small the seven heavens are compared to the Kursi. Now imagine that the Kursi was that ring in the middle of the desert. That's how small the Kursi is compared to the magnificent Throne ('Arsh) of Allah!

The Kursi is so great, the Throne is even greater, and Allah, the creator of them both, is the Greatest! Allahu Akbar!



|                                                   |                 |                |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| حَفِظُوهُمَا                                      | يَعُودُهُ       | وَلَا          |
| looking after <b>them both</b> of them            | tire <b>Him</b> | <b>and</b> not |
| and looking after both of them does not tire Him. |                 |                |

Taking care of the heavens and the earth never makes Allah tired. They are nothing compared to His greatness!

Allah cares for and provides sustenance to billions of creatures: those that walk on land, those that swim in the ocean, and those that fly in the sky. And yet, He never becomes tired.



|                                               |                 |               |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| ٢٥٥                                           | الْعَظِيمُ      | الْعَلِيِّ    | وَهُوَ          |
| (255)                                         | The Magnificent | The Most High | <b>[and]</b> He |
| He is The Most High, The Magnificent. (2:255) |                 |               |                 |

The two Names '**The Most High**' and '**The Magnificent**' perfectly summarise the whole verse as the entire verse is about the greatness of Allah.

Allah is **The Most High**: He is above everything in His greatness and power. Allah is **The Magnificent**: His knowledge, power, and wisdom are all perfect. Everything about Him is great, and no one can overpower Him. He is greater than anything we can imagine, which is why we worship Him alone!

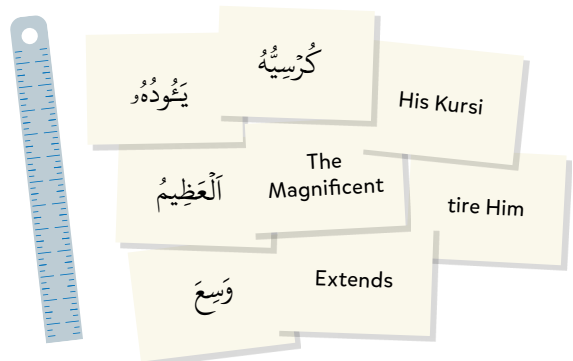


## Task 1

**Make flashcards to help you learn the meaning of Ayat al-Kursi.**

Cut small pieces of paper or card using a ruler. On one side, write an Arabic word and on the other side, write its meaning.

Do this for all the words, then use the cards to quiz yourself or a friend!





## Task 2

Write **5 Names of Allah** mentioned in Ayat al-Kursi and write their meanings in your own words.

| Name | This Name means that... |
|------|-------------------------|
| 1.   |                         |
| 2.   |                         |
| 3.   |                         |
| 4.   |                         |
| 5.   |                         |



Recite Ayah al-Kursi to your partner.



Recite it with the translation.

The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, “In Surah al-Baqarah, there is a verse which is the best verse of the Qur'an. **It is never recited in a house except that the Shaytan leaves: it is Ayat al-Kursi.**” (Hakim)

## Lessons From Ayat al-Kursi

When we repeat Ayat al-Kursi day and night, the greatness of Allah firmly settles in our hearts. Ayat al-Kursi teaches us to:

- ★ **Rely on Allah alone.** We know that the entire universe belongs to Allah, and that He has complete power and perfect knowledge, so we rely on and turn to Him alone. Only He can truly protect us.
- ★ **Love and hope in Him.** Knowing that Allah always cares for us and perfectly manages all of creation makes us love Him and place our hope in Him.
- ★ **Be in awe of Him.** He is **The Magnificent**, and we are His servants who are always in need of Him. We should fill our hearts with deep respect for Him and always humble ourselves to Him.
- ★ **Worship Him alone.** Only Allah possesses all of these perfect and unique qualities, so only He deserves our worship.



### Task 3

What does Ayat al-Kursi teach you about Allah? What does it teach you about yourself?

|   | Ayat al-Kursi teaches me: | This means I should: |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 |                           |                      |
| 2 |                           |                      |
| 3 |                           |                      |
| 4 |                           |                      |
| 5 |                           |                      |

### I Act On What I Learn

I will recite Ayat al-Kursi every day and think about the greatness of Allah.



### P Progress Check



1. Describe the Kursi of Allah.

2. What do Allah's Names **al-'Aliyy** and **al-'Adhim** mean?

3. How can you act upon Ayat al-Kursi in your daily life?

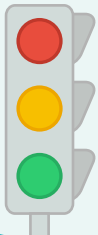
Lesson 21

# The Final Verses of Surah al-Baqarah: Part 1



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify when it is sunnah to recite the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah
- List the pillars of iman mentioned in these verses
- Reflect on the meaning of "We hear and we obey"



## Key Words

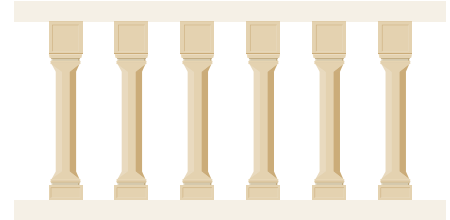
To say - قَالَ يَقُولُ

We hear and we obey - سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا

The final return - الْمَصِيرُ

## T Thinking Starter

What are the six pillars of iman?



## The Special Verses

The last two verses of Surah al-Baqarah are very special. The Messenger of Allah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

"Whoever recites the two verses at the end of Surah al-Baqarah at night, they will be sufficient for them."

(Bukhari)



This means they will protect them from all evil.

عرش

The magnificent Throne ('Arsh) of Allah!

He صلى الله عليه وسلم also said: "I was given these verses from the end of Surah al-Baqarah from a treasure beneath the Throne; no Prophet before me was given them." (Ahmad)





## Task 1

Answer the following questions.

1 When should we recite the last two verses of Surah al-Baqarah?

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2 Write a du'a thanking Allah for this precious gift, and asking Him to help you act upon this sunnah.

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## True Believers

|                                                                                                    |          |      |          |              |         |               |              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|------|----------|--------------|---------|---------------|--------------|
| وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ                                                                                   | رَبِّهِ  | مِنْ | إِلَيْهِ | أُنْزِلَ     | بِمَا   | الرَّسُولُ    | عَامَنَ      |
| and the believers                                                                                  | his Lord | from | to him   | was revealed | in what | the Messenger | has believed |
| The Messenger has believed in what was revealed to him from his Lord, and [so have] the believers. |          |      |          |              |         |               |              |

The Prophet ﷺ and his followers have believed in the Qur'an, the final revelation from our Lord.

|                                                                               |               |                 |           |               |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| وَرُسُلِهِ                                                                    | وَكُتُبِهِ    | وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ | بِاللَّهِ | عَامَنَ       | كُلُّ |
| and His Messengers                                                            | and His Books | and His Angels  | in Allah  | have believed | all   |
| All of them have believed in Allah, His Angels, His Books and His Messengers. |               |                 |           |               |       |

This verse outlines several pillars of iman. The Prophet ﷺ and all his followers believe in: Allah, the One True God; His noble Angels; the Books that Allah sent as guidance for mankind; and all the past Messengers who Allah sent to bring people out of darkness into the light.

|                                                                    |      |        |         |                                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------|---------|--------------------------------|
| رُسُلِهِ                                                           | مِّن | أَحَدٍ | بَيْنَ  | لَا نُفَرِّقُ                  |
| His Messengers                                                     | of   | any    | between | we do <b>not</b> differentiate |
| [saying], "We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers." |      |        |         |                                |

They believe in ALL Prophets sent by Allah. They do not believe in some Prophets and reject others, as the Jews and Christians do.

 Which Prophets do the **Jews and Christians** believe in and which Prophets do they reject?

|                                      |           |                     |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| وَأَطَعْنَا                          | سَمِعْنَا | وَقَالُوا           |
| we obey                              | we hear   | <b>and</b> they say |
| And they say, "We hear and we obey." |           |                     |

They say: We listen to the words of our Lord. We accept them and act upon them.

|                                                                            |                  |                   |                 |                                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| ﴿٢٨٥﴾                                                                      | الْمَصِيرُ       | وَإِلَيْكَ        | رَبَّنَا        | غُفْرَانَكَ                       |
| (285)                                                                      | the final return | <b>and</b> to You | <b>our</b> Lord | [we] seek <b>Your</b> forgiveness |
| We seek Your forgiveness, our Lord, and to You is the final return." (285) |                  |                   |                 |                                   |

They recognise that Allah is their Rabb and that they are His servants who fall short in obeying Him. So they ask Him for forgiveness. The ending of this verse confirms their belief in the Last Day and their awareness that Allah will hold them accountable when they return to Him.



## Task 2

Can you list the pillars of iman in the ayah above? Write them in Arabic and English.

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## We Are Servants of Allah

This ayah teaches us the importance of ‘ubudiyyah (servitude to Allah). We are servants of Allah and we say:

سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا

“We hear and we obey.”

This is the attitude of a true believer. We completely accept and surrender to the commands of Allah, and try our best to act upon them.

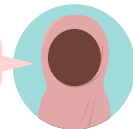
We will not be like the Jews who said سَمِعْنَا وَعَصَيْنَا: we hear and we disobey.



Do you remember the main theme of Surah al-Baqarah? [Hint: Lesson 16]



I love Allah and I obey Him!



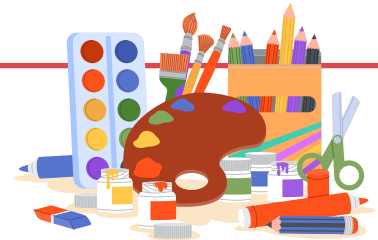
I am a servant of Allah!

This ayah also reminds us that we are the final Ummah. We believe in ALL the Prophets, from Adam عليه السلام to Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. We confirm the message that all the Prophets brought: worship Allah alone. It is our responsibility to spread the message of truth to all of humanity.



### Task 3

Design a poster for your school hallway or classroom which teaches others about the true meaning of سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا.



## I Act On What I Learn

I will memorise the last two verses of Surah al-Baqarah.

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## Progress Check



- When is it sunnah to recite the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah? ☐
- Which pillars of iman are mentioned in these verses? ☐
- Why is the phrase “We hear and we obey” very important? ☐

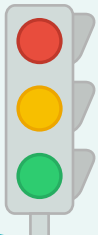
Lesson 22

# The Final Verses of Surah al-Baqarah: Part 2



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



Identify the virtues of the last two verses of Surah al-Baqarah

Reflect on the final verse of Surah al-Baqarah

Explain how Allah has favoured this Ummah



## Key Words

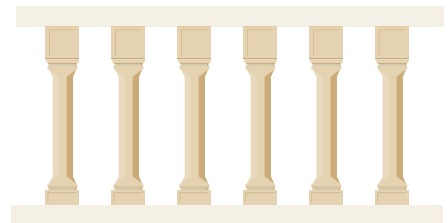
To gain - كَسَبَ يَكْسِبُ

If - إِنْ

As - كَمَا

## T Thinking Starter

Why does Allah teach us du'as in the Qur'an?



### IT'S STORY TIME!

## A Gift From Allah

One day, Jibril عليه السلام visited the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم. As they sat together, Jibril heard a sound from above. He raised his head and said: "This is a gate of heaven that has been opened today; it has never been opened before today."

Then, an angel descended from it. "This is an angel who has come down to the earth. He has never come down before today," remarked Jibril عليه السلام.

The angel said salam and gave some incredible news to the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم:

"Rejoice in two lights that have been given to you, which were not given to any Prophet before you: Surah al-Fatihah and the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah.

You will not recite a single letter of them except that you will be granted its reward."





## Task 1

Find a word in the text that means:

- 1 To feel or show great happiness or joy, especially because of good news or a blessing

- 2 Came down

- 3 Paradise

## Allah Is the Most Just

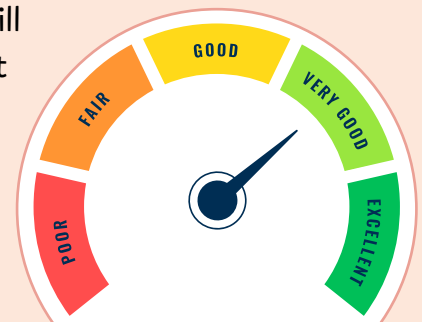
|                                                                     |        |         |         |           |     |
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| وُسْعَهَا                                                           | إِلَّا | نَفْسًا | اللَّهُ | يُكَلِّفُ | لَا |
| its capacity                                                        | except | a soul  | Allah   | burden    | not |
| Allah does not burden a soul except [with what is in] its capacity. |        |         |         |           |     |

In this final ayah, Allah سبحانه وتعالى tells us how He has favoured us: He does not expect us to do something that is not possible for us. He does not test or command us with anything so difficult that we cannot manage it.

|                                                                                                                          |      |              |           |      |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|--------------|-----------|------|--------------|
| أَكْتَسَبَتْ                                                                                                             | مَا  | وَعَلَيْهَا  | كَسَبَتْ  | مَا  | لَهَا        |
| it earned                                                                                                                | what | it will bear | it gained | what | it will have |
| It will have [the reward of] what [good] it has gained, and it will bear [the consequence of] what [evil] it has earned. |      |              |           |      |              |

Everybody will be rewarded for their good deeds, and they will be punished for the evil they did. We are responsible for what we choose to do.

Be mindful about your words and actions. You will be held accountable for everything you say or do.



How can this part of the ayah make you feel both hopeful and fearful at the same time?

I am responsible!



## The Believers Always Ask Allah

|                                                                     |                                          |      |           |      |                  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------|-----------|------|------------------|
| رَبَّنَا                                                            | لَا تُؤَاخِذْنَا                         | إِنْ | نَسِينَا  | أَوْ | أَخْطَأْنَا      |
| our Lord                                                            | do <b>not</b> hold <b>us</b> accountable | if   | we forget | or   | we make mistakes |
| Our Lord, do not hold us accountable if we forget or make mistakes. |                                          |      |           |      |                  |

Allah knows we are His weak servants. We are human: we forget and make mistakes. So Allah is teaching us to say this du'a: O Allah, do not punish us or hold us responsible for things we forget to do or mistakes we make.

|                                                                         |                                |              |          |       |                 |                 |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| رَبَّنَا                                                                | وَلَا تَحْمِلْ                 | عَلَيْنَا    | إِصْرًا  | كَمَا | حَمَلْتَهُ      | عَلَى الَّذِينَ | مِنْ قَبْلِنَا   |
| our Lord                                                                | <b>and</b> do <b>not</b> place | on <b>us</b> | a burden | as    | you placed [it] | on those        | before <b>us</b> |
| Our Lord, do not place a burden on us as you placed on those before us. |                                |              |          |       |                 |                 |                  |

O Allah, do not impose on us difficult commands like those given to previous nations.

Allah gave Banu Isra'il many favours and ease. They were allowed to do many things. However, they were very ungrateful and stubborn, and they repeatedly refused to obey Allah. So, He placed restrictions upon them and forbade them from many previously allowed things.

Allah favoured our Ummah by removing such difficult commands. Our din is built on ease.



### Task 2

Write the meaning of the following parts of the ayah.

لَا يُكَلِّفُ اللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِلَّا وُسْعَهَا

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

لَهَا مَا كَسَبَتْ وَعَلَيْهَا مَا اكْتَسَبَتْ

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

رَبَّنَا لَا تُؤَاخِذْنَا إِنْ نَسِينَا أَوْ أَخْطَأْنَا

رَبَّنَا وَلَا تَحْمِلْ عَلَيْنَا إِصْرًا كَمَا حَمَلْتَهُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِنَا



### Task 3

#### Interview an Expert!

Work in pairs: one is the host, one is a scholar.

Practise carefully. You may be chosen to present your interview in front of the class.

Include these questions:

- ? Why are the last two verses of Surah al-Baqarah very special?
- ? What can we learn from them?
- ? How is our Ummah different from the previous nations?
- ? What is the responsibility of the Ummah of the Prophet ﷺ?

You may add your own questions too!



#### I Act On What I Learn

I will recite the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah every night before I sleep.



#### P Progress Check



1. What are the virtues of the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah?
2. What have you learnt so far from the final ayah?
3. How has Allah favoured this Ummah?

Lesson 23

# The Final Verses of Surah al-Baqarah: Part 3

## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:

- Review the meanings of the two verses
- Summarise the main lessons from the two verses
- Memorise the two verses

## Key Words

Our Protector - مَوْلَانَا

To help - نَصَرَ يَنْصُرُ

The people - الْقَوْمُ

## T Thinking Starter

Why might somebody not accept Allah's commands happily?



## The Closing Du'as

Ayah 286 continues with a beautiful du'a:

|                                                                            |         |         |     |            |                      |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|-----|------------|----------------------|----------|
| بِهِ                                                                       | لَنَا   | طَاقَةَ | لَا | مَا        | وَلَا تُحْمِلُنَا    | رَبَّنَا |
| [with it]                                                                  | we have | ability | no  | that which | and do not burden us | our Lord |
| Our Lord, and do not burden us with that which we have no ability to bear. |         |         |     |            |                      |          |

We are asking Allah for ease. We are saying: O Allah, do not test us with commands or tests that are too difficult for us.

|                                                        |                  |                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| وَأَرْحَمْنَا                                          | وَأَغْفِرْ لَنَا | وَأَعْفُ عَنَّا |
| and have mercy upon us                                 | and forgive us   | and pardon us   |
| And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy upon us. |                  |                 |

Shower us with your love and compassion.  
Protect us from falling into those sins again.

Wipe away our sins.

Cover our sins, and do not expose them and disgrace us on the Day of Judgement.

|        |               |                    |       |           |                  |       |
|--------|---------------|--------------------|-------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| أَنْتَ | مَوْلَانَا    | فَأَنْصُرْنَا      | عَلَى | الْقَوْمِ | الْكَافِرِينَ    | ٢٨٦   |
| You    | our Protector | so give us victory | over  | people    | the disbelieving | (286) |

You are our Protector, so give us victory over the disbelieving people.” (286)

Allah is our Mawla: our Helper, Protector and Manager of our affairs. So we ask Him: Do not abandon us. Grant us victory over the enemies of your din: those who reject You and reject Your din. Help us stand firm upon the truth, so that your din may spread far and wide.

اَلْمَوْلَى  
The Protector



## Task 1

Translate the words below and find them in the word search.

|        |                       |          |        |                  |
|--------|-----------------------|----------|--------|------------------|
| أَنْتَ | سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا | ءَامَنَ  | بَيْنَ | وَأَغْفِرْ لَنَا |
| _____  | We hear and we _____  | He _____ | _____  | And _____ us     |

|          |          |         |                  |                 |
|----------|----------|---------|------------------|-----------------|
| نَسِينَا | كَسَبَتْ | طَاقَةٌ | فَأَنْصُرْنَا    | وَأَغْفُ عَنَّا |
| We _____ | It _____ | _____   | So give us _____ | And _____ us    |

H R J P A P A R D O N E V Y O  
L M F T H F O Y Y I N Z I Q B  
A I T F M E P D B T O N C N E  
N O W J U F O R G I V E T J Y  
B E L I E V E D W A V T O Z Q  
A U Y A B I L I T Y I Q R N A  
B F O R G E T V E N B N Y N L  
A W U Z O I L C P W B K E B Z  
X H Y T B E T W E E N A B D T



## Task 2

Fill in the gaps.



### THE LAST TWO VERSES OF SURAH AL-BAQARAH TEACH ME...



The importance of having strong \_\_\_\_\_ in the Qur'an.



The importance of 'living' by the pillars of \_\_\_\_\_.



We should happily accept Allah's commands. Allah does not test us with more than what we can \_\_\_\_\_.



Even though we try our best to submit to Allah, we will make mistakes, so we should always seek His \_\_\_\_\_.



No matter how powerful the armies of Islam's enemies may seem, \_\_\_\_\_ is our Protector and the Most Powerful!



Allah has blessed our Ummah and made our din \_\_\_\_\_ for us.



To always make du'a and ask \_\_\_\_\_ for ease, forgiveness, and help.



Find the part of the ayah (in Arabic and the translation) that teaches each of these lessons.



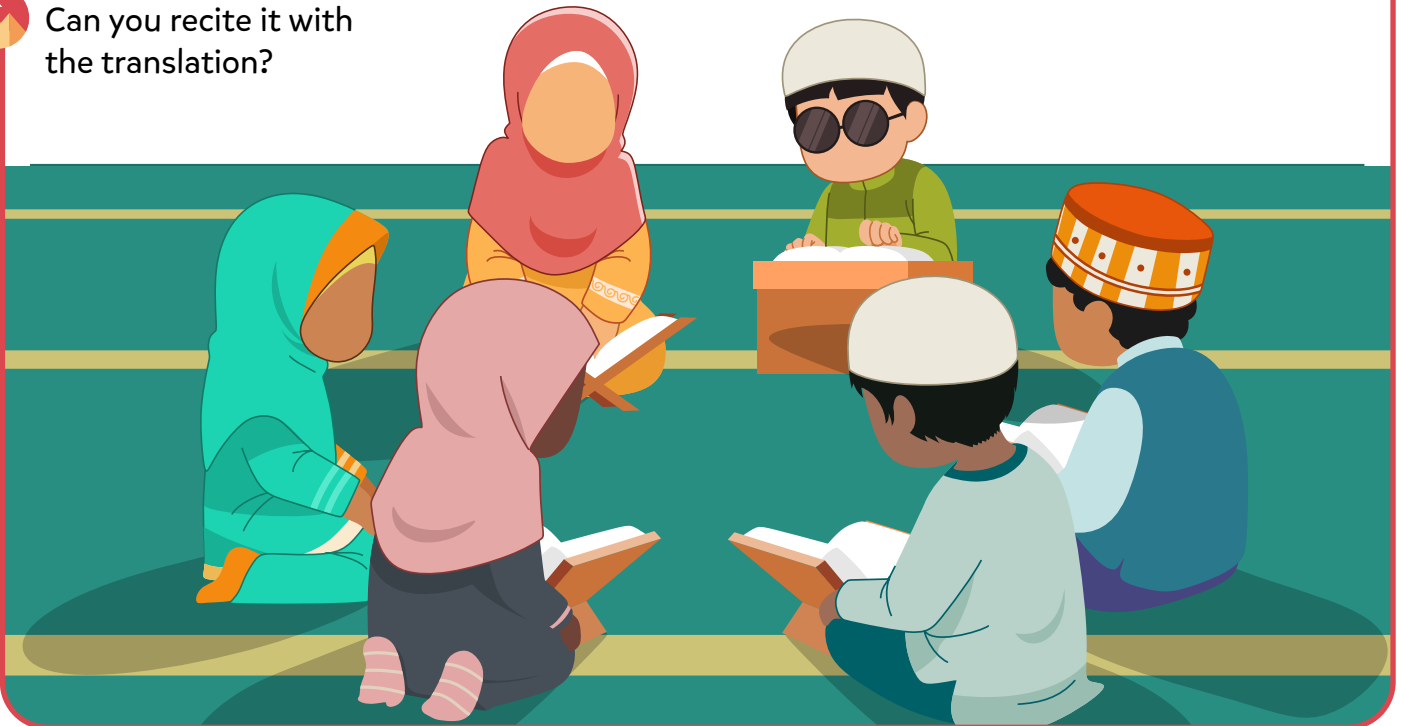
### Task 3

#### The Hifdh Halaqah

- Spend some time memorising/reviewing the two verses.
- Sit in a circle, and take turns: each student recites a part of the verse from memory, then the next student continues with the next part. If you get stuck or make a mistake, your teacher will help by correcting you.
- After two full rounds: Only students who recite without mistakes remain in the circle. Those who complete it successfully will receive a reward (treat or class points).



Can you recite it with the translation?



#### I Act On What I Learn

I will act upon these two verses by \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Progress Check



1. What do we ask Allah for in the last verse of Surah al-Baqarah? ☐
2. What do the final verses of Surah al-Baqarah teach us? ☐
3. What is one specific action you will take to act upon these two verses? ☐

Lesson 24

# Stories From Surah al-Baqarah: Talut and Jalut (Part 1)



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify the important qualities of a good leader
- Outline the key events of the story
- Reflect on what helped the chosen people of Talut's army stay strong



## Key Words

King - مَلِكٌ

Path - سَبِيلٌ

With - مَعَ

## T Thinking Starter

What qualities make someone a good leader?



### IT'S STORY TIME!

## Against All Odds

After Prophet Musa عليه السلام passed away, Banu Isra'il were led by several Prophets. But as years passed, many of the people turned away from Allah's guidance. Their faith weakened, their behaviour worsened, and they began doing what Allah had forbidden.

Because of this, Allah allowed their enemies to overpower them. Their lands were taken, many were killed, and their children were carried away as prisoners. Fear and sadness filled their hearts.

Feeling helpless, some of their chiefs went to Prophet Shamwil عليه السلام and said:

أَبْعَثْ لَنَا مَلِكًا نُقَاتِلَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ

"Appoint for us a king, so that we may fight in the path of Allah."

(Surah al-Baqarah:246)

Prophet Shamwil was worried. He remembered how their ancestors had refused to fight alongside Prophet Musa عليه السلام. But they insisted: "Why wouldn't we fight in the path of Allah, when we have been forced out of our homes and our children have been taken as prisoners?"



Yet when the command to fight finally came, many of them did exactly what Prophet Shamwil feared: they turned away.

## A King Chosen By Allah

Prophet Shamwil informed them that Allah has chosen **Talut (Saul)** to be their king. Banu Isra'il were not happy. "How can he be a king?!" they rudely complained. They thought they were more worthy of being chosen, and according to them, Talut was not rich enough to be a king!

Prophet Shamwil reminded them that this was **Allah's decision**:

وَاللَّهُ يُؤْتِي مُلْكَهُ مَن يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ

**"...Allah grants His kingship to whoever He pleases: Allah is All-Bountiful, All-Knowing."**

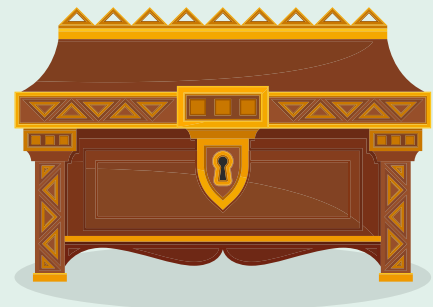
(Surah al-Baqarah:247)

Allah chose Talut because he was strong, wise, and knowledgeable.

Still, they stubbornly demanded a sign. Prophet Shamwil told them the sacred Ark, which had been taken by their enemies, would be returned to them.

This Ark was highly respected by Banu Isra'il. It contained precious relics from the families of Prophets Musa and Harun عليه السلام, including the stick of Musa عليه السلام and some Tablets of their Holy Book, the Tawrah.

Soon after, **angels arrived and placed the Ark before Talut**. When Banu Isra'il saw this great miracle, they finally accepted Talut as their king.



### Task 1

A good leader should not be chosen because of their wealth or family background. **Unscramble the words below** to find out the important qualities of a good leader.

E<sub>1</sub> W<sub>4</sub> I<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

N<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub> T<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> G<sub>2</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

D<sub>2</sub> N<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> K<sub>5</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

N<sub>1</sub> H<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub> O<sub>1</sub> T<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

I<sub>1</sub> F<sub>4</sub> A<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

T<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> N<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> P<sub>3</sub> A<sub>1</sub> T<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

A<sub>1</sub> B<sub>3</sub> V<sub>4</sub> E<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

E<sub>1</sub> N<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub> I<sub>1</sub> B<sub>3</sub> L<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> R<sub>1</sub> P<sub>3</sub> O<sub>1</sub> S<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

## The Test

King Talut gathered his army and set off to fight the 'Amaliqah whose leader was the mighty warrior **Jalut (Goliath)**.

But before they reached the battlefield, they would face a great test. Talut informed them:

"Allah will test you with a river. Whoever drinks from it will not be part of my army, and whoever does not drink will be with me. Scooping up just one handful is allowed."

Most of the soldiers failed the test. They drank too much. Only a small group obeyed. These were the true believers; the ones who stayed with Talut and were ready to fight.

Now the army was tiny: **just over 300 men**. Some of them became afraid and said: "We have no strength today against Jalut and his warriors."

However, a special group of the soldiers truly knew Allah. They **trusted Him** completely. They were so certain that they would **meet Allah in the Next Life** that they were ready to die for Him. With hearts full of iman, they reassured the others:

The 'Amaliqah =  
The Amalekites/  
The Giants

WE'RE  
GOING  
TO BE  
CRUSHED!

كَمْ مِنْ فِئَةٍ قَلِيلَةٍ غَلَبَتْ فِئَةً كَثِيرَةً بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ مَعَ الصَّابِرِينَ ﴿٢٤٩﴾

"...How many times has a small force vanquished a mighty army by the permission of Allah! And Allah is **with those who are steadfast.**" (Surah al-Baqarah:249)

How does strong iman in the Hereafter make someone brave?



### Task 2

Draw and write a storyboard to show the key events in the story so far.

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### Task 3

#### Speech from the Battlefield.

Imagine you are King Talut, with only a small army of just over 300 soldiers remaining. Write a short speech to motivate your soldiers.

After writing your speech:

1. Your teacher will divide you into groups.
2. Deliver your speech to your group.
3. Vote for the most inspiring speech in your group.
4. Present the winning speech to the whole class.

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#### I Act On What I Learn

I will strengthen my iman in Allah, so that I stay strong.

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#### Progress Check



1. Why was Talut chosen to be king?

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2. What were the key events in the story?

☐

3. What helped the special group of soldiers stay strong?

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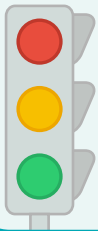
Lesson 25

# Stories From Surah al-Baqarah: Talut and Jalut (Part 2)



## Learning Objectives

In this lesson, I will:



- Identify the importance of du'a
- Reflect on the lessons learned from this story
- Compare the story of Talut and Jalut with the events in the Blessed Land



## Key Words

Combat  
Sling  
Self-control

## T Thinking Starter

What's the bravest thing you've ever done?



## The Battle Begins

Finally, the two armies met: Banu Isra'il led by Talut, and the 'Amaliqah, in their thousands, led by Jalut. The Banu Isra'il were terrified. They turned to Allah and begged Him:

رَبَّنَا أَفْرِغْ عَلَيْنَا صَبْرًا وَثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَنَا وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٢٥٠﴾

**"Our Lord, pour patience on us, make us stand firm, and give us victory over the disbelievers."** (Surah al-Baqarah:250)

Jalut stepped forward. He challenged someone from Banu Isra'il to one-on-one **combat**. None of the soldiers were willing to fight him.

Even when you have few resources, **du'a** and trust in Allah are among the most important means to achieve victory.





Can you think of any similarities with this battle and the Battle of Badr?

## A Tiny, Yet Mighty Opponent

At that moment, a young shepherd named Dawud, bravely stepped forward.

Armed only with his **sling**, he faced Jalut, a giant known for defeating every opponent. Dawud launched a stone from his sling that struck Jalut's forehead. The giant fell and was defeated.

With Allah's help, against all odds, Banu Isra'il won the battle. The giants were defeated, and Jalut was dead!

Young Dawud would go on to become not only a great king of Banu Isra'il but one of the great Prophets of Allah! Allah gave him special knowledge and many miracles.



Which miracles did Allah سبحانه و تعالى grant Prophet Dawud عليه السلام?



*TINY DAWUD TRIUMPHED, TOPPLING TERRIFYING JALUT WITH TRUST IN ALLAH.*



## Task 1

### The Spoon Sling Challenge

#### Materials Needed:

Plastic or wooden spoons, paper balls or cotton balls, small cups or containers

#### How to Play:

- Place a ball onto your spoon.
- Swing and release the ball to try and land it in the cup/container.



## Lessons From This Story

1

With Allah's help, a small group of believers overcame a strong enemy. Victory does not come from size or strength, but from iman and trust in Allah, patience, courage, and obeying Allah's guidance.

2

**Sabr** (self-control and staying firm during hardship) is very important. Those who can control their desires, such as resisting food and drink, are **stronger when facing difficulties and enemies**.

3

Allah **tests people** to reveal true believers and distinguish them from those who only claim to believe.

4

There is always a struggle between **truth and falsehood**. People of truth must stand firm and fight against injustice.

5

The victory allowed Banu Isra'il to regain their land and keep Allah's din firmly established. The story in the Qur'an ends with a reminder that if people do not fight in His way, corruption will spread on earth, places of worship will be destroyed and people will be unjustly killed, as we see all around us in the world today.



### Task 2

#### The Sabr-Metre: How strong is your sabr?

Read each statement and give yourself a score:

1 = Rarely    2 = Sometimes    3 = Often    4 = Almost Always



Your Score

- |                                                           |                                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. I keep trying, even when something is difficult. _____ | 5. I complete tasks even when they take time. _____      |
| 2. I stay calm when something doesn't go my way. _____    | 6. I wake up for fajr every morning. _____               |
| 3. I control my words when I feel angry. _____            | 7. I remember to make du'a when I feel frustrated. _____ |
| 4. I do not give up quickly. _____                        | 8. I wait patiently without complaining. _____           |



### Task 3

#### Defending al-Masjid al-Aqsa

In Palestine, children bravely threw stones at Israeli tanks. After seeing their homes reduced to rubble, their friends murdered, and their families forced to live in constant fear, many felt they had no other choice.

On 29 October 2000, 14-year-old Palestinian Faris Odeh was photographed, standing alone in front of an Israeli tank in Gaza and throwing a stone at it.



Faris would often go to throw stones. When his mother begged him to stop, fearing that he would be killed, he would say, 'I'm not afraid.'

Ten days later, on 8 November, Faris was again throwing stones when he was shot in the neck by Israeli troops. They left him to bleed on the ground. He was so close to the tank that his friends could not get to him until an hour later. By the time they did, it was too late. Faris was murdered.

**What lessons from the story of Talut and Jalut can you see in Faris' story?**

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#### I Act On What I Learn

I will be strong and brave like Prophet Dawud عليه السلام.

#### P Progress Check



1. What did Talut's army do when they felt scared after seeing the enemy?
2. Who killed Jalut and how?
3. What lessons do you learn from this story?





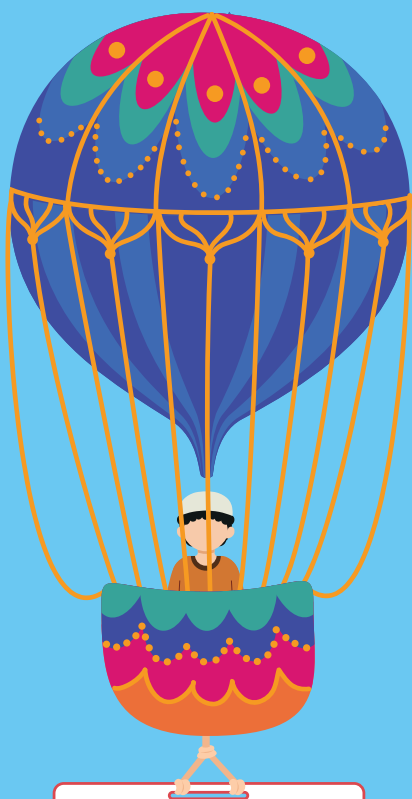
I Learn, I Act, I Share

# SURAH AL-BAQARAH ASSEMBLY

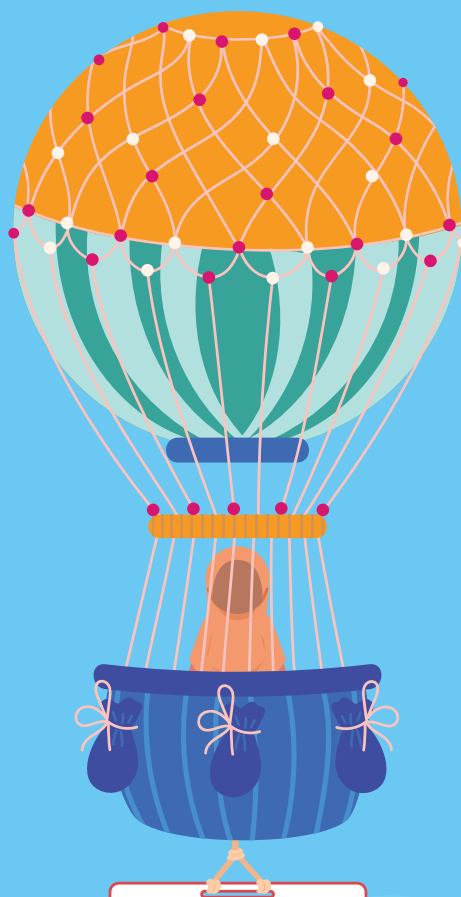
As a class, you will plan and deliver a special assembly for the whole school/madrasah. The theme of your assembly is: **Surah al-Baqarah**. This is your chance to inspire others with the words of Allah and be teachers of the Qur'an!

Your teacher will help you.

LEARNING FOR A  
**Life With Allah**



Recite and  
translate  
selected verses  
(e.g. Ayat al-Kursi)



Explain the  
meaning of the  
verses



Write a poem or  
spoken word piece  
and perform it

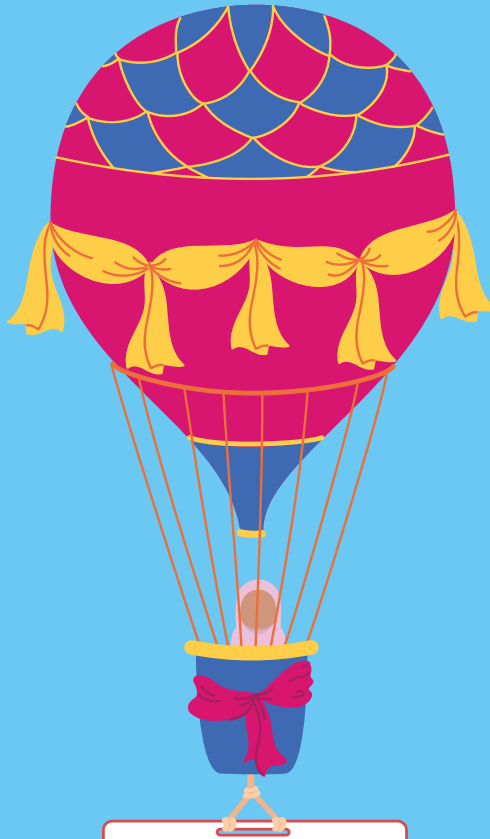


Narrate any of the  
stories from the  
surah with props





Narrate a story  
and share practical  
lessons we can  
apply in daily life



Share the virtues  
and main message  
of Surah  
al-Baqarah



End with a  
beautiful du'a



I aim high!

"The best of you are  
those who learn the  
Qur'an and teach it."  
(Bukhari)

خَيْرُكُمْ مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ وَعَلَّمَهُ

You don't have to stick to these ideas.  
Be creative, work as a team, and share the  
words of Allah in the best way possible!

# Ibn al-Jazari رحمه الله



Born in: 751 AH | Passed away in: 833 AH

In 748 AH, a merchant named Muhammad ibn Muhammad travelled to Makkah for hajj. While drinking Zamzam, he made a sincere du'a asking Allah to bless him with a righteous son who would be from the people of the Qur'an.

Allah سبحانه وتعالى answered his du'a. Three years later, he was blessed with a son, whom he also named Muhammad! This child would grow up to become the famous Imam Ibn al-Jazari رحمه الله.

محمد بن  
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علي الجَزَرِي

## The Great Scholar of Qur'an

Imam Ibn al-Jazari رحمه الله grew up in a family that deeply valued knowledge and the Qur'an. From a young age, he showed great love for learning. He memorised the entire Qur'an by the age of thirteen and led the prayers when he was only fourteen! Soon after, he mastered the qira'at (different ways of reciting).



Places Imam Ibn al-Jazari travelled to in the pursuit of knowledge.

He travelled across the Muslim world seeking knowledge and studying with great scholars. Although he was an expert in many sciences, he became most famous for tajwid and qira'at: the sciences of Qur'anic recitation.



Imam Ibn al-Jazari رحمه الله memorised over 100,000 hadiths!

ALLAHU AKBAR!

## His Amazing Legacy

The Qur'an was the centre of Imam Ibn al-Jazari's life. He taught it, wrote books about it, and established schools for it.

He also deeply cared about teaching his children, including his daughter, Salma رَحْمَهَا اللهُ. She memorised the Qur'an in the ten Qira'at and studied many other sciences until she became known for her great knowledge.

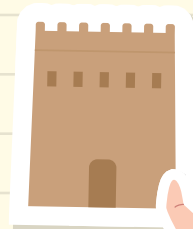


He was a brilliant author. His famous poem, al-Jazariyyah, is the **most well-known poem in tajwid** and is still memorised by thousands of students around the world today.

## The Protected Fortress

Imam Ibn al-Jazari رَحْمَهُ اللهُ also wrote *al-Hisn al-Hasin* (The Protected Fortress), a famous collection of adhkar and du'as still widely read today. He wrote it during a frightening siege of Damascus. He writes:

"I have completed this book...I write these lines while all the roads leading to and from Damascus are closed. They are, in fact, sealed with stones, and the people have taken up positions at the city walls, crying out to Allah for help. They are in utter misery as a result of the town being placed under siege; no water is allowed to enter the city, and hands are raised in du'a, pleading to their Lord. The surrounding areas of the city have been set on fire, and most of the nearby villages have been destroyed. I have made this book my sanctuary and fortress, and I have placed my trust in Allah, for He is Sufficient for me and the best Protector."



### NOTE

Through du'a and turning to Allah, Allah protected Imam Ibn al-Jazari and the people of Damascus from the enemies!



# Word Bank

## Aa

- Abandoning
- Advice - مَوْعِظَةٌ
- Are heavy - ثَقُلْتُ
- Are light - خَفَّتْ
- As - كَمَا

## Ee

- Eloquence
- Exceptional
- Exemplary
- Exquisite

## Kk

- King - مَلِكٌ

## Ll

- Love - حُبٌّ

## Bb

- Blazing - حَامِيَةٌ

## Gg

- Generation
- Genocide
- Good - خَيْرٌ
- Good news - بُشْرَى
- Graves - قُبُورٌ

## Mm

- Mercy - رَحْمَةٌ
- Mountain - جَبَلٌ (ج) جِبَالٌ
- Mufasssir - مُفَسِّرٌ

## Cc

- Certainty - أَلَيْقِينَ
- Combat
- Competition for more - التَّكَاثُرُ
- Context

## Hh

- Hearts/chests - صُدُورٌ

## Nn

- News - أَخْبَارٌ

## Dd

- Da'wah
- Deeds/actions - أَعْمَالٌ
- Defects

## Ii

- If - إِنْ
- Impacts
- Insight
- Is shaken - زُلْزِلَتْ

## Oo

- Our Protector - مَوْلَانَا

## Pp

- Path - سَبِيلٌ
- Permission - إِذْنٌ

## QUR'AN & TADABBUR

### LEVEL 5

#### Rr

- Ruqyah

#### Ss

- Scale - مِيزَانٌ (ج) مَوَازِينُ
- Sleep - نَوْمٌ
- Self-control
- Sling

#### Tt

- That - ذَلِكَ
- That day - يَوْمَئِذٍ
- The All-Aware - الْحَكِيمُ
- The All-Sustaining - الْقَيُّومُ
- The Cow - الْبَقَرَةُ
- The Ever Living - الْحَيُّ
- The final return - الْمَصِيرُ
- The galloping horses - الْعَدِيدَاتِ
- The Holy Spirit - رُوحُ الْقُدُسِ
- The Magnificent - الْعَظِيمُ
- The Most High - الْعَلِيُّ
- The people - الْقَوْمُ
- The pleasures - النَّعِيمُ
- The Reminder - الذِّكْرُ
- The Striking Catastrophe - الْقَارِعَةُ
- Theme
- Then - ثُمَّ
- Thing - شَيْءٌ
- To ask - سَأَلَ يَسْأَلُ
- To be happy - فَرِحَ يَفْرَحُ
- To command - أَمَرَ يَأْمُرُ
- To extend - وَسَّعَ
- To follow - اتَّبَعَ يَتَّبِعُ
- To gain - كَسَبَ يَكْسِبُ
- To help - نَصَرَ يَنْصُرُ
- To intercede - يَشْفَعُ
- To know - عَلِمَ يَعْلَمُ
- To say - قَالَ يَقُولُ
- To slaughter - ذَبَحَ يَذْبَحُ
- To understand - عَقَلَ يَعْقِلُ

#### Ww

- We hear and we obey - سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا
- Who - مَنْ
- With - مَعَ

# Trace & Memorise

## Surah az-Zalzalah

PAGES 31-38

إِذَا زُلْزِلَتِ الْأَرْضُ زِلْزَالَهَا ١

When the earth is shaken by its [ultimate] quaking,

وَأُخْرِجَتِ الْأَرْضُ أَثْقَالَهَا ٢

and when it throws out its burdens,

وَقَالَ الْإِنْسَانُ مَا لَهَا ٣

And the human will say, "What is the matter with it?"

يَوْمَئِذٍ تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا ٤

That day it will tell all its news,

بِأَنَّ رَبَّكَ أَوْحَىٰ لَهَا ٥

because your Lord will command it [to do so].

يَوْمَئِذٍ يَصْدُرُ النَّاسُ أَشْتَاتًا لِّيُرَوْا أَعْمَالَهُمْ ٦

That Day people will proceed in separate groups so that they are shown their deeds.

فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ ٧

So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it.

وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ ٨

And whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it.

# Surah al-'Adiyat

PAGES 39-46

وَالْعَدِيَّتِ صَبْحًا ١

By the galloping, panting horses,

فَالْمُورِيَّتِ قَدْحًا ٢ فَالْمُغِيرَاتِ صُبْحًا ٣

then those that strike sparks, then those that launch raids in the morning,

فَأَثَرُنَ بِهِ نَقْعًا ٤ فَوَسَطْنَ بِهِ جَمْعًا ٥

then raise a cloud of dust, and plunge into the heart of the enemy lines.

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِرَبِّهِ لَكَنُودٌ ٦

Indeed, the human is truly very ungrateful to his Lord

وَإِنَّهُ عَلَىٰ ذَٰلِكَ لَشَهِيدٌ ٧

– and indeed, He is truly a witness to that –

وَإِنَّهُ لِحُبِّ الْخَيْرِ لَشَدِيدٌ ٨

And indeed, he is truly very intense in his love for wealth.

أَفَلَا يَعْلَمُ إِذَا بُعْثِرَ مَا فِي الْقُبُورِ ٩

Does he not know when whatever is in the graves will be spilled out,

وَحُصِّلَ مَا فِي الصُّدُورِ ١٠

and whatever is in the hearts will be exposed?

إِنَّ رَبَّهُم بِهِمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ لَّخَبِيرٌ ١١

Indeed, their Lord is All-Aware of them on that Day.

# Surah al-Qari'ah

PAGES 47-54

الْقَارِعَةُ ١

The Striking Catastrophe.

مَا الْقَارِعَةُ ٢

What is the Striking Catastrophe?

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا الْقَارِعَةُ ٣

And what will make you realise what the Striking Catastrophe is?

يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ ٤

(It is) the Day people will be like scattered moths,

وَتَكُونُ الْجِبَالُ كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ ٥

and the mountains will be like carded wool.

فَأَمَّا مَنْ ثَقُلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ ٦

Then, as for him whose scales are heavy (with good deeds),

فَهُوَ فِي عِيشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ ٧

he will be in a happy life.

وَأَمَّا مَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ ٨

And as for he whose scales are light,

فَأُمُّهُ هَاوِيَةٌ ٩

his home will be the Abyss.

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا هِيَ ١٠ نَارٌ حَامِيَةٌ ١١

And what will make you realise what it is? A blazing fire!



# Surah at-Takathur

PAGES 55-62

أَلْهَكُمُ التَّكَاثُرُ ۝١

Competition for more distracts you,

حَتَّىٰ زُرْتُمُ الْمَقَابِرَ ۝٢

until you reach the graves.

كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ ۝٣

But no! You will soon know.

ثُمَّ كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ ۝٤

Again, no! You will soon know.

كَلَّا لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ ۝٥

No! If only you knew [your fate] with certainty!

لَتَرَوُنَّ الْجَحِيمَ ۝٦

You will certainly see Hell,

ثُمَّ لَتَرَوُنَّهَا عَيْنَ الْيَقِينِ ۝٧

Then, you will certainly see it with the eye of certainty.

ثُمَّ لَتُسْأَلُنَّ يَوْمَئِذٍ عَنِ النَّعِيمِ ۝٨

Then, on that Day, you will definitely be questioned about all the pleasures.

# Surah al-Baqarah: Ayat al-Kursi

PAGES 73-84

اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ

Allah, there is no god worthy of worship except He,

الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

The Ever Living, The All-Sustaining.

لَا تَأْخُذُهُ سِنَّةٌ وَلَا نَوْمٌ

Neither drowsiness nor sleep overtakes Him.

لَهُ مَا فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَمَا فِي الْأَرْضِ

To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth.

مَنْ ذَا الَّذِي يَشْفَعُ عِنْدَهُ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِهِ

Who is it that can intercede with Him without His permission?

يَعْلَمُ مَا بَيْنَ أَيْدِيهِمْ وَمَا خَلْفَهُمْ

He knows what is before them and what will be after them,

وَلَا يُحِيطُونَ بِشَيْءٍ مِّنْ عِلْمِهِ إِلَّا بِمَا شَاءَ

and they do not encompass anything of His knowledge except for what He wills.

وَسِعَ كُرْسِيُّهُ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ

His Kursi extends over the heavens and the earth,

وَلَا يَئُودُهُ حِفْظُهُمَا

and looking after both of them does not tire Him.

وَهُوَ الْعَلِيُّ الْعَظِيمُ

He is The Most High, The Magnificent.

## The Final Verses of Surah al-Baqarah

PAGES 85-96



ءَامَنَ الرَّسُولُ بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ رَبِّهِ ۚ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ

The Messenger has believed in what was revealed to him from his Lord,  
and [so have] the believers.

كُلٌّ ءَامَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ ۖ وَكُتُبِهِ ۖ وَرُسُلِهِ ۖ لَا نُفَرِّقُ بَيْنَ أَحَدٍ مِّن رُّسُلِهِ ۚ

All of them have believed in Allah, His Angels, His Books and His Messengers [saying],  
"We do not differentiate between any of His Messengers."

وَقَالُوا سَمِعْنَا وَأَطَعْنَا ۚ غُفْرَانَكَ رَبَّنَا وَإِلَيْكَ الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٢٨٥﴾

And they say, "We hear and we obey. We seek Your forgiveness, our  
Lord, and to You is the final return."

لَا يُكَلِّفُ اللَّهُ نَفْسًا إِلَّا وُسْعَهَا ۚ لَهَا مَا كَسَبَتْ وَعَلَيْهَا مَا أُكْتَسَبَتْ ۚ

Allah does not burden a soul except [with what is in] its capacity. It will have [the  
reward of] what [good] it has gained, and it will bear [the consequence of] what  
[evil] it has earned.

رَبَّنَا لَا تُؤَاخِذْنَا إِن نَّسِينَا أَوْ أَخْطَأْنَا ۚ

Our Lord, do not hold us accountable if we forget or make mistakes.

رَبَّنَا وَلَا تَحْمِلْ عَلَيْنَا إِصْرًا كَمَا حَمَلْتَهُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِنَا ۚ

Our Lord, do not place a burden on us as you placed on those before us.

رَبَّنَا وَلَا تُحَمِّلْنَا مَا لَا طَاقَةَ لَنَا بِهِ ۚ

Our Lord, and do not burden us with that which we have no ability to bear.

وَأَعْفُ عَنَّا وَاعْفِرْ لَنَا وَارْحَمْنَا ۚ

And pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy upon us.

أَنْتَ مَوْلَانَا فَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ ﴿٢٨٦﴾

You are our Protector, so give us victory over the disbelieving people."

## QUR'AN & TADABBUR

**LEVEL 5**

## Notes

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# MY VALUES



**I Am a Servant  
of Allah**



**I Love Allah &  
His Messenger**  
صلى الله عليه وسلم



**I Am Strong in  
My Belief**



**I Aim for the  
Best**



**I Polish My  
Heart**



**I Am Kind**



**I Help My  
Ummah**



**I Am  
Responsible**



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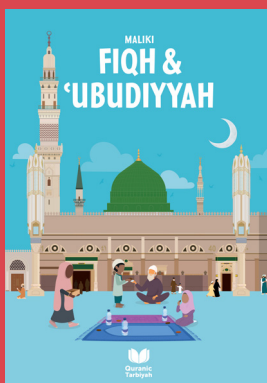
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