



## Term 3 – K - 6 Syllabus 2020

### *Hajj and Stories of the Prophets*

Lesson 1- The First 10 Days of Dhul Hijjah & Hajj – Lessons from the story of Hajar RA

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#### Important Teacher Notes:

- Please **ABIDE** by the syllabus
- You need to make sure your lessons for that week corresponds with the topic.
- It is **VERY** important to inform your school and supervisor if you are unable to attend your Scripture Class.
- For any inquiries or questions please contact your supervisor or the ISRE office.
- Only use the approved links provided for each lesson.
- The ISRE program is non-sectarian and is provided to all Muslims students, regardless of their sectarian groupings. The aim of ISRE is to teach students to Love, Learn and Live Islam.
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**! IMPORTANT NOTE TO TEACHERS:**

**As-Salamu ‘alaykum Dear Teacher,**

Inshaa’Allah you are in the best of health and Iman. May Allah SWT reward you immensely for your teaching efforts. We encourage you to make scripture lessons as relevant and interesting as possible so that students enjoy coming to scripture! Please try to support the participation of each student.

**Da’wah** (spreading the message of Islam) is recognised by most scholars as being **OBLIGATORY** for all Muslims. The Prophet SAW instructed us to **“convey from me, even one verse” (Bukhari)**. As scripture teachers, we are fulfilling this obligation Inshaa’Allah.

**The Benefits of Da’wah**

1. Achieving the pleasure of Allah SWT (Glorified and Exalted is He).
2. You are given the great favour by Allah SWT to follow in the footsteps of the greatest man, Muhammad SAW, as a Da’ee.
3. You are an ambassador of Islam, inspiring others weekly.
4. “Allah (SWT), His angels and all those in the Heavens and on Earth, even ants in their ant-hills and fish in the water, call down blessings **on those who instruct others to beneficial knowledge**” (Tirmidhi).
5. You are being part of the change you want to see in the world! Your incredible efforts are continuing to inspire and improve future generations.
6. You are strengthening your own relationship with Allah SWT. The knowledge you read and share weekly increases your knowledge and spiritual growth.
7. By giving Da’wah and passing on authentic knowledge we are also protecting ourselves from the punishment of Allah SWT.

**NOTES on ABBREVIATIONS**

\*\*\*Please explain the importance and meaning of these salutations and encourage students to use these regularly. Please say these words **in their entirety** (e.g. “*Sub-hanahu Wa Ta’ala*”). Do **NOT** say the lettered abbreviation (e.g. “SWT”).

- **SWT-** *Subhanahu wa Ta’ala* - May He be Glorified - used after Allah’s glorious name.
- **PBUH-** (*Peace be upon him*) or **SAW-** *SalAllahu alayhi Wassalam* - used after the Prophet Muhammad’s name as a mark of respect and to say ‘May Allah SWT’s peace and prayers be upon the Prophet.’ (**PBUH** and the **SAW** are used interchangeably in the Syllabus).
- **AS-** *Alayhissalam*- May Allah SWT peace be on them - used after the name of other Prophets.
- **RAA-** *RadhiAllahu'anhu / RadhiAllahu'anha*- May Allah be pleased with him/her.

**Teachers are kindly reminded:**



Do's

✓ **Follow the Syllabus closely**

✓ **Encourage worship by instilling the love of Allah SWT and our Deen (religion).**



Don'ts

× **NOT to discuss sects, politics or other religions.**

× **NOT to discuss hellfire, hate, the grave, punishment, jinn's/Devils.**

## TEACHING TIPS

The Prophet PBUH taught Islam to so many people around him. A companion once said: *“I’ve never seen any teacher gentler than the Messenger of Allah (PBUH).”* (Abu Dawud 931). We can utilise some of the Prophets’ teachings to help us teach scripture, for example:

- **Maintain direct eye contact with listeners**
- **Repeat lesson in different ways**
- **Ask questions to spark curiosity and interest**
- **Use questions to elaborate and expand**
- **Speak in a measured tone (appropriate to discussions)**
- **Use daily life examples/illustrations/gestures/visuals or objects to help explain points**
- **Give time between words for listeners to process information**
- **Have an attitude which shows kindness, gentleness, warmth and care to all students**



## CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT

**Some suggestions for maintaining a safe, respectful and engaging classroom:**

- ✓ **BE PREPARED** by reading the syllabus ahead of time. This gives you added confidence and allows more time for thinking about ways to tailor lessons for your specific class (remember to run ideas by your supervisor).
- ✓ **Get to know your students:** Take the opportunity at the beginning of each year (or term) to learn students’ names and a bit about them. **Building positive relationships is key to engaging students and managing behaviour in the classroom!!**
- ✓ **Remain calm and positive!** Explain to students that you are all there for the same reason - because we are Muslim, we love Allah SWT and we want to learn about our religion altogether in a nice, fun environment. When you are calm, controlled and enthusiastic, you generate this positive energy to your students and model correct Islamic behaviour.
- ✓ **Praise! Praise! Praise! Encouragement** goes a long way. Try to say the students name and recognise their efforts. This can be as simple as a verbal acknowledgment such as “Masha ‘Allah, great listening Adam!” or “Thanks for your excellent behaviour Year 3!”
- ✓ **Break up the lessons:** Teachers should never spend the whole lesson talking themselves! Keep students actively engaged with discussions, small group work and short simple activities where the focus is not on the teacher. The Syllabus suggests some activities to maintain engagement.
- ✓ **Differentiate learning and tailor to student needs:** The Syllabus provides a guide on how lessons should proceed from Kindy onwards. You can add on lesson info from a higher grade or simplify learning towards a lower stage outcome if this suits your students.
- ✓ **Consider the classroom environment:** Having student sitting on the floor close to you or in a big circle often aids engagement and discussion.
- ✓ **Rules:** Discuss classroom rules during your first lesson of scripture. Students will be less likely to break the rules if you remind them that they had decided this rule was important in the first place! Students should already be familiar with the school behaviour policy and you can remind them of this. The classroom teacher present may also help you if needed.
- ✓ If a student is being disruptive, without drawing too much attention to their action, go stand by them. They realise you are aware of their behaviour and usually stop. If this doesn’t work, pause the lesson and wait for silence.
- ✓ **Review and reflect:** Occasionally you may need to stop everything and discuss respectful learning with the class, especially when discussing Allah SWT. Calmly, you can mention that Angels surround the classroom because we are all sitting together remembering Allah SWT and how pleased Allah

SWT is with gatherings where He is remembered. Give students a moment to reflect and then very briefly state the basic classroom rules again like putting your hand up, remain seated unless asked to move, use your manners, keep your hands, feet away from others etc.

### STARTING YOUR LESSON

- SALAMS:** We know that teaching scripture may sometimes be challenging, and that a good start to each lesson is important, so teachers should start each lesson enthusiastically, using the Islamic greeting:

*"As-salamu 'alaykum..."*

*"peace be upon you"*

Encourage students to respond with the reply of *"wa-alaikum Assalamu wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuhu,"* (and may the peace and mercy and blessings of Allah be upon you). Please explain the meaning. Try to always use this greeting, as spreading this greeting was described in hadith as one of the best things that a Muslim can do!

- DUA:** Teachers may find it helpful to then begin their lesson by reciting and explaining the following Dua of Prophet Musa AS with students. Teachers should explain that this Dua can be used to help with important tasks, speeches, to improve confidence and communication. Teachers can mention how saying it helps calm you as you start your lesson.

*Rabbishrah lee sadree, Wayassir lee amree, Wahlul 'Uqdatam-mil-li saanee,  
Yafqahoo qawlee* (Surat Ta-Ha, verses 25-28)

***"O my Lord! Expand for me my chest (grant me peace, contentment and confidence); ease my task for me; and remove the impediment from my speech (remove incorrectness from my speech/ help me say the right things), so that they understand what I say."***







- AL FATIHA/BISMILLAH:** Teachers may find it beneficial to start each lesson with Surat Al-Fatiha, or by saying "Bismillah" (in the Name of Allah) with students. We want students to understand that we start every good thing remembering Allah SWT. The syllabus aims to always include some discussion of Allah SWT's Glorious 99 Names each term in order to help increase an awareness and love of Allah SWT in our lives and in every act we do.

**ENDING THE LESSON:** At the end of each lesson, try to conclude with the following closing Dua. The Prophet SAW informed us that if this Dua is said at the end of a gathering, Allah SWT will forgive us for any intentional or accidental mistakes we might have made during the gathering.

*Subhanaka Allahumma wa bi hamdika ashadu an la ilaha illa anta astaghfiruka wa atubu ilayk*

***O Allah! You are free from every imperfection; praise be to you. I testify that there is none worthy of worship except you; I ask Your forgiveness and turn to You in repentance.***

**SYLLABUS STRUCTURE:** Lessons will generally contain the below structure/ information and icons:

LESSONS LEARNT / REFLECTIONS		ATTENTION TEACHER / PLEASE NOTE	 or ***
DEFINITION/IMPORTANT KEY POINT/ BENEFITS		STORY (optional)	
WHITE BOARD ACTIVITY (optional)		VIDEO LINKS (optional)	

## LESSON 1 : The First 10 Days of Dhul Hijjah & Hajj – Lessons from Hajar RA

Kindy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students learn about the Islamic month of Dhul Hijjah and that Hajj and Eid al Adha occur during this month.</li> <li>• Students learn that the first 10 days of this month are the best days of the year to do good deeds.</li> </ul>
Yrs 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students are introduced to Hajj rituals.</li> </ul>
Yrs 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students explore good deeds to practice this during these 10 days, including fasting</li> <li>• Students learn some Hajj rituals were derived from the stories of Hajjar RA, Ismael, and Ibrahim AS</li> </ul>
Yrs 5 & 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students extend understanding of Hajj and good deeds during this time, (particularly Dua and fasting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Dhul Hijjah/the Day of Arafah).</li> </ul>

### EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 2    KINDY – YEAR 2

Welcome back to a new term boys and girls. Inshaa’Allah you all had a wonderful break!



Do you know what time of the year it is? It’s Dhul Hijjah, the 12<sup>th</sup> and last month of the Islamic calendar and another time to **get HUGE rewards!** The first 10 days of Dhul Hujjah are very special because the Prophet Muhammad SAW said, “**there are no days on which righteous deeds are more beloved to Allah than these ten days**” (Bukhari). **So**, these are the ‘Best 10 Days of the Year’ to do good deeds and gain Allah SWT love and rewards! **What are some good deeds and actions you can do during these first 10 days?** (Be kind, be helpful, learn to pray, make Dua, smile, give charity, say Dhikr, (which means remembering Allah by saying special words like Subhan Allah, Alhamdulillah and Allahu Akbar, La illaha ill Allah), fasting during the first 9 days of Dhul Hijjah. helping others, praying, reading Quran...)

We also have two extra special days **during these first 10 Days of Dhul Hijjah which are:**

- **the Day of Arafah** on the 9<sup>th</sup> day
- **Eid al Adha** on the 10<sup>th</sup> day! **\*\*We will learn more about these 2 days next week Inshaa’Allah.**

**Another reason why Dhul Hijjah is important is because it is the month when the 5<sup>th</sup> pillar of Islam is performed: HAJJ!!! (That’s why the month is called Dhul Hijjah!)**



Hajj can only be done during a few days of this special month. This year, because of Coronavirus, less people than usual will be able to travel for Hajj but usually, millions of Muslims, from all over the world, come together for Hajj and to visit the Kabbah, a special building built by Prophets Ibrahim AS and Ismail AS in Makkah (a city far away from Australia!). Muslims of all different backgrounds, from all different countries, male and female, young and old, stand together, all equal, and pray to Allah SWT. Hajj is usually the best trip of a Muslims life! It is a very important trip that teaches us many things – we will talk more about the lessons it teaches us next week but today, let’s learn a bit about how it all started...

Hajj began many, many millions of years ago, starting with the first Prophet Adam AS who did Hajj. Nowadays, when Muslims go to Hajj, we copy one of the best Prophets, Ibrahim AS, his amazing wife Hajar and their brave son Ismail AS. Ibrahim AS was an amazing Prophet and Allah SWT loved Prophet Ibrahim AS and his family so much because they always did what Allah SWT asked them to do, no matter how hard it was to do!

**Let me tell you a bit of their story...**

A very long time ago, Allah SWT asked Prophet Ibrahim AS to go with his wife Hajar and their baby Ismail to a special spot in a faraway land in the middle of a desert, and then to just leave his wife and baby there! It was a very heartbreaking thing for Ibrahim to do, but he did it, trusting that Allah SWT knew best...

As Ibrahim AS walked away, Hajar felt very afraid and called after Ibrahim AS – but then she said to Ibrahim AS, **‘if Allah SWT told you to leave us here, then Allah SWT will look after us!’** Hajar knew that, if they did what Allah SWT wanted, Allah would definitely send her help. Hajar understood that Allah SWT knew what was best for her, even though it looked like a terrible, horrible thing!

So, Hajar sat there, in the hot, lonely desert, just her and baby Ismail... until all their food and water was gone... and baby Ismail started crying with hunger and thirst. Hajar couldn’t bear to see her poor baby like that, so she ran to the top of a small nearby small mountain (or hill) called **Al Safa** and looked for help - but she found nothing to help her. So Hajar ran back down to baby Ismail and then to the top of another small mountain or hill called **Al Marwa**, and looked for help, but found nothing and no-one there. Hajar kept running anxiously between the two hilltops, over and over, and then finally, on **the seventh time**, at the top of Al Marwa, she heard a voice... Hajar calmed herself and listened carefully, trying to hear the voice again... Hajar called out, **“O whoever you are, can you help me...?”**

Suddenly, Hajar saw Angel Jibril AS near where baby Ismail had been crying and kicking his tiny feet in the sand! Angel Jibril AS hit the ground with his heel (or wing) and water started flowing up from that spot! Hajar ran down to her baby and quickly gathered up the water gushing up from the ground! **“Zimi, zimi,”** she said, meaning **“gather, gather”** or **“stop flowing away, stop flowing away”** and Hajar gathered up the water by making a little barrier and then she drank until she was full!



Subhan Allah, do you know, we still have this delicious water, coming from this same spot today? It’s called Zamzam water and we drink it when we go to Hajj! We drink it after we run 7 times, between the same two hills, al Safa and Al Marwa, (now inside a big Masjid), copying Hajar!



Before Angel Jibril AS left Hajar that day, he told her, **don’t be afraid - Allah SWT would look after you both and that one day, Ismail AS and Ibrahim AS would build the Kabbah there together!’** Subhan Allah, this news must have made Hajar feel so much better! And it wasn’t long before people arrived there, wanting to drink from Hajar’s Zamzam water! The people loved and cared for Ismail (AS) too. Hajar and her son stayed in that special spot, looking after the Zamzam water. More people arrived, and that dry, empty land soon became a big, busy, city – **the city we now visit for Hajj - Makkah!**

And one day, Prophet Ibrahim AS returned (just like Angel Jibril AS had told Hajar) and he built the Kabbah with Ismail AS in that same special spot! When they finished Ibrahim AS made Dua that **the Kabbah would stay a special place for remembering Allah SWT and he called out to all the people to come make Hajj!** Allah SWT accepted Ibrahim’s Dua and not only did Allah SWT make it compulsory for Muslims to visit the Kabbah for Hajj but also to **face the Kabbah** (or in its direction) when we pray. **And**

now, we even remember the respect Allah SWT had for Ibrahim AS every time we pray and copy some actions Ibrahim AS did at Hajj as well!!

*Ibrahim AS made another Dua that his family would stay good Muslims, believing in only one God and Allah SWT accepted this Dua too and made his son Ismail and many other family members amazing Prophets!*

Next week we will learn more about the purpose of Hajj, but what have we learnt about Hajj so far?



### LESSONS LEARNT:

1. **Islam has a high regard for Women:** At Hajj, everyone must copy Hajar, a brave woman. We all run between the Safa and Marwa 7 times and then drink Zamzam water just like Hajar. Hajj shows us that girls can do amazing things and the only thing that makes anyone better **is not whether they are a girl or boy, but how much they love Allah SWT.**
2. **Ask for help if you need it:** Hajar went looking for help and she called out for help at the top of the mountain! Allah SWT helps those who help themselves.
3. **Patience:** Hajar was very patient and never gave up, even during such a difficult time. She kept running up mountains until she found help! So, Hajj is also all about learning how to be patient!
4. **When we do the right thing, Allah SWT rewards us:** Hajar, Ibrahim and Ismail AS always did the right thing, no matter how hard it was, and this made Allah SWT love them very much. Hajar got rewarded for her bravery and trust in Allah SWT. Allah SWT sent her an angel, gave her Zamzam water, sent people to help look after her and Ismail AS and made us all remember and copy Hajar at Hajj! What an amazing reward!



See links on the ISRE webpage: <https://www.isre.org.au/resources/2020-term-3-video-links/>

## STAGE 2 & 3

## YEARS 3 – 6

Welcome back to a new term boys and girls. Inshaa'Allah you all had a wonderful break!

Do you know what time of the year it is? It's the 12<sup>th</sup> and last month of the Islamic calendar, a time when Allah SWT gives us another chance to **get HUGE rewards!** **The first 10 Days of this month are extra important because:**

- **the 9<sup>th</sup> day, the Day of Arafah,** is the most important part of Hajj and when Allah SWT comes down closer to us and forgives more people than on any other day of the year!!!
- it is during these days (on the 10<sup>th</sup>) that **Eid Al Adha** happens!
- it is the time Allah SWT loves good deeds the most!
- it is the time when Muslims start the Hajj! *That's why is called Dhul Hijjah!*

**\*\*\*We will learn more about the Eid and the Day of Arafah next week Inshaa'Allah.** Today we will learn a bit more about these last two points.

The Prophet Muhammad SAW said, “**There are no days on which righteous deeds are more beloved to Allah than these ten days**” (Bukhari). So, these are the ‘Best 10 Days of the Year’ to do good deeds and gain Allah SWT’s love and rewards!

***What are some good deeds and actions you can do during these first 10 days?***

- ✓ Be kind, be helpful, pray, make Dua, smile, give charity, help others, read Quran...
- ✓ **Fasting:** Fasting the first 9 days of Dhul Hijjah is one of the best deeds you can do. Make sure you fast on the **9th day – the Day of Arafah** because the reward for fasting this day is equal to wiping away the previous and next year of bad deeds! (Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim 1162). (We do not fast on the 10th day because that is the day of Eid Al Adha!)
- ✓ **Dua and Istighfar:** Making Dua for ourselves and others during these 10 days!
- ✓ **Dhikr:** Allah SWT says we should **mention the name of Allah** on these special days (Quran 22:28) and the Prophet SAW also said: “... **recite a great deal of tahleel (saying Laa ilaaha ill-Allah), takbeer (saying Allahu akbar) and tahmeed (saying al-hamdu Lillah) during them.**” (Ahmad). This is one of the easiest good deeds you can do!

*Let’s practice together and learn their meaning in English:*

<b>Laa ilaaha ill-Allah</b>	<b><i>there is no god but Allah</i></b>
<b>Alhamdulillah</b>	<b><i>all thanks and praise belong to Allah</i></b>
<b>Allahu Akbar</b>	<b><i>Allah is the Most Great</i></b>
<b>Subhan Allah</b>	<b><i>How amazing and Glorious is Allah!</i></b>

We try to **repeat these special words as often as we can; after prayer, while sitting, while lying down.** We can also say the following words like a song from the first day of Dhul Hijjah and throughout Eid:

<b>Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar</b>	Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,
<b>Allahu Akbar, La illaha ill Allah</b>	Allah is Most Great, there is no god but Allah
<b>Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar</b>	Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,
<b>Allahu Akbar, Wa lillahil Hamd</b>	Allah is Most Great and to Allah is all praise

**Let’s learn about HAJJ!!!**

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### LESSONS LEARNT:

- **Allah SWT loves us so much that He gives us so many opportunities to get hasanat/ get closer to Him.** What can you do to help yourself remember to do good deeds?
  - Hang around good friends who encourage you to do good - find a good deed buddy – someone you can do good deeds with or review your day with.
  - Get organised! Write down a list of the deeds you want to do for each of the 10 days, when you will do then, the day and time, how often you will do it.
  - Give yourself a daily goal and review it morning and night.
  - Have a prayer checklist to track your compulsory/sunnah/or extra night prayers.
- **Islam holds women in high regard:** Hajj shows the high status of women in Islam and that Muslims should respect women. At Hajj, everyone copies Hajar, a woman. Hajj show us that girls/women can do amazing things (Hajar looked after the Zamzam well and her son Ismail largely on her own) and the only thing that makes anyone better than anyone else in Islam is **not whether they are a girl or boy or what colour or race they are - but how much they love Allah SWT and do good.** Hajj teaches us that **people from all different backgrounds, both rich and poor, male and female should be humble and united.**
- **Have Tawakkul (trust Allah SWT), even when things don't go your way:** Hajar was brave because she had Tawakul – she knew Allah SWT would not leave her alone in the desert. Hajar, Ibrahim and Ismail AS understood that Allah SWT always knows what is best for us!
- **Ask for help if you need it:** Hajar went looking for help and she called out for help at the top of the mountain! Allah SWT helps those who help themselves. Relying on Allah SWT doesn't mean we sit there doing nothing while waiting for Allah to help... we have to strive, go look for help and ask for it, like Hajar did.
- **Patience:** Hajar was very patient and never gave up, even during such a difficult time. So, Hajj is also all about learning patience!
- **When we do the right thing, Allah SWT rewards us:** Hajar, Ibrahim and Ismail AS always did the right thing, no matter how hard it was, and this made Allah SWT love them very much. Hajar got

rewarded for her bravery and trust in Allah SWT. Allah SWT sent her an angel, gave her Zamzam water, sent people to help look after her and Ismail AS and made us all remember and copy Hajar at Hajj! Ibrahim had all his Dua accepted, we remember him at Hajj and in every salah (prayer). What amazing rewards!

- **We all get tested and our best helper through these difficult tests is Allah SWT:** Life is a big test and we must remember that Allah SWT tests those that He loves. Sometimes doing the right thing can feel very hard to do, just like it was hard for Ibrahim, Hajar and Ismail (peace be upon them). But Hajar, Ibrahim and Ismail faced their challenges and we can face our challenges too! **Allah SWT helped Hajar when she was helpless and all alone in the desert and He will help us too.**



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## LESSON 2 : Hajj & Eid al-Adha

KINDY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students recall Hajj as the fifth Pillar of Islam</li> <li>• Students learn some Hajj rituals were derived from the stories of Hajjar RA, Ismael, and Ibrahim AS.</li> <li>• Students learn about Eid al Adha</li> </ul>
Yr 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students learn some of the importance of Hajj.</li> <li>• Students learn how to prepare for Eid al Adha</li> </ul>
Yr 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students learn about the importance of Dua on the Day of Arafah and practise making Dua.</li> <li>• Students learn how to prepare for Eid al Adha.</li> </ul>
Yr 5 & 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students extend understanding of Hajj rituals that were derived from the stories of Hajjar RA, Ismael AS, and Ibrahim AS and some lessons learnt</li> <li>• Students learn how to prepare for Eid al Adha.</li> </ul>

### EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 1

### KINDY – YEAR 2

Today we will be learning more about:

- ✓ the Day of Arafah, the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of Dhul Hijjah. Some people call the **most important day of the year**, and it is **also the most important day of Hajj!**
- ✓ **Some more about Hajj**
- ✓ **Eid Al Adha!**

So last week we learnt that the Day of Arafah, the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of Dhul Hijjah is a very special day and that just by fasting on this one day, we can wipe off all the bad things we did, in the year that passed and, in the year to come as well!! It is also on this day that **Allah SWT comes down to the nearest heaven, looking for people who want forgiveness!** Allah SWT is so proud of the people who spend this day asking for His forgiveness that He even tells the angels about them and **He forgives more people on this day, than any other day of the year!** (Sahih Muslim). The Prophet SAW also said: *“The best of Dua is Du’a on the day of Arafat...”* (Tirmidhi-3585). Our Dua is most likely to be accepted on this day so, it



is very important that we spend the Day of Arafah making Dua to Allah SWT and asking for Allah SWT to forgive us!

**Let's practice making Dua!** (E.g. *Oh Allah, You are the Most Kind and Best Helper and my Best Friend, please forgive me and help me to.....? Oh Allah, You are the Most Giving, please....."*)

Allah SWT loves it when we remember Him. Allah says in the Quran we need to do this and glorify Allah SWT as much as possible during this time. We can show that we remember Allah by saying special words like:

"**Laa ilaaha il-lal-laah**", (There is only one God)      "**Allahu Akbar**," (Allah is the Greatest)

"**Alhamdulillah**," (All praise and thanks are for Allah)      "**SubhanAllah**" (Glory be to Allah!)

We also sing and repeat a **Takbir from the day of Arafah and then at least after every prayer during the day of Eid Al Adha and the few days after it** (on the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11, 12 and 13<sup>th</sup> of Dhul Hijjah). It goes like this:

**Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar**

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,

**Allahu Akbar, La illaha ill Allah**

Allah is Most Great, there is no god but Allah

**Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar**

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,

**Allahu Akbar, Wa lillahil Hamd**

Allah is Most Great and to Allah is all praise

### **The Day of Arafah - the most important day of Hajj:**

On this day, all the millions of people at Hajj go visit a special place, a small hilltop, called Mount Arafat. On the way, they all sing and say: "**Labayk Allahuma Labayk. Labayka La shareeka laka Labayk. Innal hamda wannimata laka wal mulk. La shareeka Lak...**" "*Here I am, O Allah, here I am. Here I am, You have no partner, here I am. All praise and blessings are Yours, and all power, You have no partner.*"

### **Hajj teaches us unity – there is no racism in Islam**

When you look out across Arafat, or anywhere at Hajj, you see millions of Muslims, standing, praying, sitting, or lying down, all concentrating on Allah SWT, asking Allah SWT to forgive them, making Dua for themselves and for others. It is such a beautiful sight; with so many Muslims together, Subhan Allah. They all look equal, all dressed in their simple Ihram clothes, and you can't tell if someone is rich or poor. They are all there for the same reason, just to show their love for Allah SWT. It was on the Day of Arafah, over 1400 years ago, that the Prophet SAW, while doing his Hajj, told the people that white people are not better than black people and black people are not better than white people, that we are all equal and the only thing that makes anyone better is how much they loved and listened to Allah SWT!!! **So, Islam banned racism over 1400 years ago!**

### **Preparing for Eid al-Adha**

Allah SWT wants us to celebrate after all our hard work and sacrifice at home and at Hajj and so after the **Day of Arafah, is the first day of Eid al-Adha!!** We'll learn more about Eid al-Adha next week but here's some things we can do to prepare for Eid al-Adha in the meantime:

1. Help clean, tidy and decorate your home! It's time to celebrate!
2. **Have a bath/shower** before or on the morning of Eid - **smell nice** and look good!
3. Wear your **very best, nicest clothes** for Eid. **Remember, you just need to wear you BEST clothes,** not necessarily **new clothes!**
4. Eat some **dates** before going to the Eid prayer
5. Go to **Eid prayers at the park or Masjid** (in usual circumstances).
6. **Learn and repeat the Takbir.**
7. **Make sure someone in your family has paid for the Eid sacrifice (Adhyah or Qubani)** (a special charity paid during this Eid).
8. **Make your Eid prayer and listen to the Eid talk after the prayer.**
9. Make lots of **Dua** for yourself and others, especially people who are suffering or sick.
10. If you receive gifts or money, **remember your manners** and say **"jazaakum Allahu khairan" or "thank you."** You may like to give a portion of the money/ gifts you receive to charity.

**\*\*\*OPTIONAL ACTIVITY (Kindy and Year 1):** We can get into the feel of Hajj by listening to/ acting out this song! (please see and do accompanying song actions below!). Sing and/or play link: Hajj Nasheed for children (sung to the tune of "She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain."). Only up to 2:05mins of video please.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EMs5oXRvPX8>

*[Action to perform: Kids marching in the same spot]*

*We will all go to Makkah on the Hajj.*

*We will all go to Makkah on the Hajj.*

*We will all go to Makkah. We will all go to Makkah.*

*We will all go to Makkah on the Hajj.*

*[Action to perform: Gesture two with your fingers]*

*We wear only two white garments on the Hajj. (x2)*

*We wear only two white garments (x2)*

*We wear only two white garments on the Hajj.*

*[Action to perform: Walk around the Kabbah]*

*We will walk around the Kabbah seven times. (x2)*

*We will walk around the Kabbah. (x2)*

*We will walk around the Kaa'bah seven times.*

*[Action to perform: walk back and forth between two pillars or points to indicate sa'ee]*

*We run backward and run forward on the Hajj. (x2)*

*We run backward and run forward. (x2)*

*We run backward and run forward on the Hajj.*

*[Action to perform: pretend to drink water]*

*We will drink the Zam-Zam water on the Hajj. (x2)*

*We will drink the Zam-Zam water. (x2)*

*We will drink the Zam-Zam water on the Hajj!*



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- Allah SWT give us another amazing opportunity to get closer to Him and gain lots of rewards with the Day of Arafah. We need to spend the day making Dua, asking Allah SWT for forgiveness and doing good deeds. Because you are little, you might want to try fasting for half

a day or for as long as you can. Please also practice making lots of Dua for yourself, your family your friends and all the people around the world.

- Hajj teaches us many important lessons including that in Allah’s view, all people, whatever their colour, rich or poor, male and female, are all equal and that we should not ever be racist or judge others on whether they are rich or poor or their gender. What we get judged on should be our behaviour and how much we love Allah SWT.
- Allah SWT allows us time to celebrate our hard work with Eid al-Adha - but even while we’re celebrating, Muslims never forget Allah SWT! We remember Allah throughout our day and after the prayers by saying the Takbir all throughout the days of Eid.

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## STAGES 2 - 3

## YEARS 3 – 6

Today we will be learning more about:

- ✓ the Day of Arafah, the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of Dhul Hijjah. which may fall around the **29<sup>th</sup> of July this year**. Laylat al Qadr is the ***best night of the year*** but the Day of Arafah is thought by many to be ***the best day*** of the year! It is also the most important day of Hajj.
- ✓ **Some more about Hajj.**
- ✓ **Eid al-Adha!**
- So last week we learnt that the Day of Arafah, the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of Dhul Hijjah is a very special day. Just by fasting on this day, we can wipe off all the bad things we did, in the year that passed and, in the year to come as well! On this day, **Allah SWT comes down to the nearest heaven, looking for people who want forgiveness** and He forgives more people on this day, than any other day of the year! (Sahih Muslim). *Subhan’ Allah, Allah SWT really loves us and gives us so many ways to get closer to Him!*
- We need to make sure we don’t see, hear or say anything bad on this day because the Prophet SAW said: ***“He who protects his ears, eyes and tongue on this day (Day of ‘Arafah) will be forgiven” (Musnad Ahmad)***
- The Prophet SAW said: ***“The best Dua is Du’a on the day of Arafat...”*** (Tirmidhi-3585) and that our Dua is most likely to be accepted on this day! So, it is very important that we spend the Day of Arafah making Dua to Allah SWT! The Prophet SAW said the best Dua to say on this day is:

***“None has the right to be worshipped except Allah, alone, without partner. To Him belongs sovereignty and all praise and He is All-Powerful over all things.” (Muwatta).***

*Laa ilaaha ill-allaahu, waḥdahu laa shareeka lah, laahul-mulku wa laahul-ḥamdu, wa huwa `alaa kulli shay’in qadeer*

➤ We need to remember Allah SWT as much as possible during this time. Say some Dhikr like:

"**Laa ilaaha il-lal-laah**", (There is only one God)

"**Allahu Akbar**," (Allah is the Greatest)

"**Alhamdulillah**," (All praise and thanks are for Allah)

"**SubhanAllah**" (Glory be to Allah!)

➤ **We also repeat the Takbir from the Day of Arafah and then especially after every Fard prayer during Eid al-Adha and during the days of Tashreeq (feasting and celebration) after this Eid (so from the 9th to the 13th of Dhul Hijjah). Let's practice the Takbir:**

**Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar**

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,

**Allahu Akbar, La illaha ill Allah**

Allah is Most Great, there is no god but Allah

**Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar**

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great,

**Allahu Akbar, Wa lillahil Hamd**

Allah is Most Great and to Allah is all praise

### More on Hajj:

Today we'll learn a bit more lessons from Hajj inshaa'Allah. Hajj makes us practice many good deeds and doesn't allow us to:

- fight, lie, swear, be rude or talk badly about others,
- hunt animals, cut down trees or pull plants out from the roots

The Day of Arafah, is the most important day of Hajj as the Prophet SAW said, "**the Hajj is 'Arafat, the Hajj is 'Arafat, the Hajj is 'Arafat...**" (Sahih, Hadith 2975). Arafat is actually a place, a small hilltop outside of Makkah, called Mount Arafat or the Mountain of Mercy. On the second day of Hajj, the Day of Arafah, millions of people go to Mount Arafat after Fajr prayer. On the way, they all sing and say the

### Talbiyah:

**Labbayk allahumma labbayk...**

**Here I am, O Allah, Here I am!**

**Labbaika laa shareeka laka labbaik ....**

**Here I am, You have no Partner, here I am**

**innal hamda**

**All praise belongs to You (Allah),**

**wan na'mata**

**and all good things**

**laka wal mulk**

**and all power**

**la shareeka lak**

**You have no partner.**

\*\*\*Repeat: "*Here I am, O Allah, here I am. Here I am, You have no partner, here I am. All praise and blessings are Yours, and all power, You have no partner.*"

The Arabic word "Arafat" comes from the meaning "to know." The word comes from when Angel Jibril AS taught Prophet Ibrahim AS how to do Hajj. Angel Jibril AS would teach something to Ibrahim AS and then say "**araft?**" meaning "did you understand?" to which Ibrahim AS would reply "**araft!**" to say that he understood what Jibril's was teaching him! Now, "**Arafat**" is a special day and place where Muslims get "**to know or understand**" more about and feel closer to Allah SWT.

### Hajj is about unity – there is no Racism in Islam

When you look out across the plain of Arafat, you see millions of Muslims, from different backgrounds and all walks of life, rich and poor, male and female, young and old, standing, praying, sitting, or lying down, all concentrating on Allah SWT, asking Allah SWT to forgive them, making Dua for themselves

and for others. It is a beautiful sight, seeing so many Muslims together, all there for the same reason, just to show their love for Allah SWT. Even Allah SWT expresses His pride to the angels Allah SWT says, *look, they have come from far and wide and they are asking for my forgiveness!* **“Allah The Almighty descends to the lowest heaven and expresses His Pride to the angels saying, ‘Here are My slaves! They have come to Me ...from every distant pass. They seek my mercy! Even if their bad deeds number of grains of sand...or drops of rain, Allah will erase them for you.”** [Musannaf ‘Abdur-Razzaaq]



The people, although all different, look all equal, dressed the same in their simple Ihram clothes - you can't tell if someone is rich or poor or where they come from. It was on this day, 1400 years ago, that the Prophet SAW while doing his Hajj, gave his **Farewell Speech at Arafat** and told everyone that *white people are not better than black people and black people are not better than white people, that we are all equal and the only thing that makes anyone better is how much they love and listen to Allah SWT!* **So, Islam banned racism 1400 years ago!**

The Prophet SAWs Farewell was a final reminder and summary of Islam for Muslims and showed how Islam is a wonderful way to live. The Prophet SAW Farewell Speech talked about things like:

- The equality of all people and to treat each other with kindness
- That people have rights like the right to life, to protection of their property, the right to live in a peaceful law-abiding society, the right to be protected from economic abuse and the right to inheritance.

**And on this day, a very special verse from the Quran was revealed on this day, also showing how Islam is the best and perfect way of life.** Allah SWT said:

*On this day (the day of Arafah) I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favour upon you and have approved Islam as your religion.”* (Surah al Maa'idah 5:3).

### **To Do List for Eid al Adha**

SubhanAllah, Allah allows us to celebrate after all our hard work and sacrifice at home and at Hajj. We'll learn more about Eid Al Adha next week but here's some things we can do to **prepare for Eid al-Adha in the meantime:**

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10. If you receive gifts or money, **remember your manners** and say “**jazaakum Allahu khairan**” or “**thank you!**” You may like to give a portion of the money/ gifts you receive to charity.



### LESSONS LEARNT:

- Allah SWT really loves us and give us another amazing opportunity to get closer to Him and gain lots of rewards with Hajj and the Day of Arafah. Whenever we take a few steps closer to Allah SWT, He comes to us running! (Şaḥīḥ Muslim 2687). We should never forget how much Allah SWT loves us and wants the best for us. This is why He tells us to do things – because He always wants what’s best for us – and why He chose Islam for us as the best way to live!
- Hajj teaches us many important lessons including that in Allah’s view, all people, whatever their colour, rich or poor, male and female, are all equal and that we should not ever be racist or judge others on where they are from, if they are rich or poor, or on their gender. What we get judged on should be our behaviour and how much we love Allah SWT.
- Allah SWT allows us time to celebrate our hard work with Eid al-Adha - but even while we’re celebrating, Muslims never forget Allah SWT! We remember Allah throughout our day and after the prayers by saying the Takbir all throughout Eid and the days after it.

**\*\*\* OPTIONAL HAJJ ROLE-PLAY: \*\*\*Teachers can do this week or next week when there may be more time. You can prepare props to assist this role-play activity by bringing in:**

- 1-2 white towels (or real Ihram!) from home to model the ihram
- 1 prayer mat or black abayah or black scarf to cover a chair to make a pretend Kaabah.
- 3 other prayer mats to symbolically mark the locations of 1) Mount of Al Safa, 2) Mount Al Marwa (for the Sa’ey) and 3) Mount Arafah.

***If necessary, ask students to help move tables and chairs so there is enough space for children to pretend making Tawaf around the Kabbah. Put 1 chair in the middle and cover it with the prayer mat/ black abaya/ scarf. Decide with children which corner has the black stone. You can also set up 2 chairs on the side a few metres apart and cover these with a prayer mat each to symbolise the Safa and Marwa Mounts.***



*Inshaa’Allah, one day, all of you will go to Hajj! But today, we’re going to practice a bit to get a feel of Hajj! The first thing we need to do is imagine... take a deep breath in from your nose.... hold it, and then slowly blow the air out through your mouth... Well done...Now, imagine you are in Makkah, the beloved city of the Prophet SWT! This is the desert land where the Prophet SAW was born, the place where Hajar and Prophets’ Ibrahim and Ismail had been! It feels so hot in Makkah... you feel the heat on your skin, on your face... But even though you are hot, you are smiling and feeling so happy! You are thinking... Thank you Allah for letting me be here, to visit your special place, to see the huge Kabbah built by Ibrahim and Ismail, the Kabbah that the Prophet Muhamad SAW had rested his back against. You smile happily and sing...*

***Labbayk allahumma labbayk...***

***Labbaika laa shareeka laka labbaik ....***

***innal hamda***

***wan na’mata***

***laka wal mulka***

***la shareeka lak***

***Here I am, O Allah, Here I am!***

***Here I am, You have no Partner, here I am***

***All praise belongs to You (Allah),***

***and all good things***

***and all power***

***You have no partner.***

*It’s time for us to put on our Hajj clothes, our Ihram, to show we are all the same, we are all equal before Allah SWT... OK, girls, got your hijabs on?? (Pretend to put on a hijab and fix it up...) Ok, boys,*


your Ihram is white cloths with no sewing or buttons... Let's put on the Ihram... 1 sheet around our waist... and 1 on top covering our left shoulder and around our waist. OK! All ready? Let's go visit the Kabbah and do our **Tawaf** – that's going around the Kaabah 7 times, in an **anti-clockwise direction** like the Prophet SWT taught us... Remember, we need to make lots of Dua while we go around and when we get to the black stone we raise our right hand say: **In the Name of Allah, Allah is the Greatest!** Ready? Let's go! (walk around a chair covered with black prayer mat/scarf/abayah).

**\*\*\* Alternatives:**

- **Do this using the children's imagination only or select only a few students to demonstrate.**
- **Pretend to do the Sa'ey as well/only.** *Say: We're going to walk quickly from Al Safa (point to 1st chair) to Al Marwa (point to another chair). Ask: How many times did Hajar run between the mountains? Yes 7, Ok, bismillah, let's go!* (Walk quickly between the 2 chairs 7 times and then pretend to go drink some delicious Zamzam water!) Then, *Ok, now it's the Day of Arafah, we have to after sunrise, quickly, time to go visit Arafat! Let's go spend the day there and make lots of dua!*
- **Teachers can appoint a student helper to count how many times the teacher/students go around the chair/ 'do tawaf' or 'do Sa'ey'. Teacher makes dua as they do "tawaf" and asks children what special Dua or things they would like to ask Allah SWT for as they go.**

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### LESSON 3: Celebrating Eid al Adha – stories of sacrifice; Ibrahim AS & Ismael AS

 KINDY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students reflect on their Eid Al Adha experiences.</li> </ul>
Yr 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students reflect on their Eid al Adha experiences.</li> </ul>
Yr 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students reflect on their Eid al Adha experiences.</li> <li>• Students review learning of Hajj rituals.</li> <li>• Students reflect on giving something up to please Allah SWT.</li> </ul>
Yr 5 & 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students learn the story of Ismael and Ibrahim AS and extend their understanding of Tawakal (trust in Allah SWT) and giving up something to get closer to Allah SWT</li> <li>• Students extend learning of Hajj rituals.</li> <li>• Students reflect on Eid al Adha experiences</li> </ul>

**EARLY STAGE 1 & STAGE 1                      KINDY – YEAR 2**

So, it's Eid al-Adha! Eid al-Adha occurs once a year and means "Festival of Sacrifice. Muslims all around the world will be celebrating. Eid is a Muslim holiday where everyone gives thanks to Allah SWT and celebrates as a whole community. **There are two Muslim holidays:**

- ❖ **Eid al-Fitr- celebrated the day after Ramadan ends which was back in May this year**
- ❖ **Eid al-Adha – celebrated in the month of July** on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month Dhul Hujjah, the twelfth month of the Islamic calendar, when Hajj occurs.

Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Love, Learn and Live Islam!**



A long time ago, Prophet Ibrahim AS and his wife had a beautiful baby boy named Ismail. When the baby became older, Prophet Ibrahim AS had a dream to give up his most special and dear thing for Allah SWT. Prophet Ibrahim AS told his son about this dream and Ismail told his father to do what Allah SWT had asked him to do.

So, both father and son went to give up their dearest and special thing as Allah SWT commanded them to do so. Suddenly, Allah SWT said “Stop Ibrahim, you have obeyed my command from your dream!” Allah SWT had tested Prophet Ibrahim AS and his son Ismail to give up something that they loved, and they had passed this test of faith and belief. Allahu Akbar!



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

**Trust Allah SWT, be brave for Allah SWT:** Muslims all around the world remember this story about Prophet Ibrahim AS and his son’s courage, their love for Allah SWT and the passing of the test Allah SWT had given them. Discuss with students about some things they are willing to give up/let go.

Prompt students with the following examples:

- Favourite toy or game
- Tasty and favourite food
- Watching favourite cartoon
- Nice clothes or shoes



Eid is a time of happiness and blessings where family and friends get together to celebrate. Muslims all around the world will be celebrating Eid al-Adha together! The celebrations involve praying, feasting, giving gifts and charity. Alhamdulillah, Allah SWT gifted us with another Eid!

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## **STAGE 2 & STAGE 3**

## **YEAR 3 - 6**



It’s time to celebrate Eid al-Adha! Eid al-Adha is the "**Festival of Sacrifice**". Muslims all around the world will be celebrating. Eid is a Muslim holiday where everyone gives thanks to Allah SWT and celebrates as a community. Remember, there are two Muslim holidays:

- ❖ **Eid al-Fitr- celebrated the day after Ramadan ends which was back in May this year.** Eid al-Fitr means the **festival of breaking of the fast** and is celebrated at the end of Ramadan on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Shawwal which is the tenth month of the Islamic calendar
- ❖ **Eid al-Adha – Festival of Sacrifice** - celebrated on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month, Dhul Hujjah, the twelfth month of the Islamic calendar, and is also key part of the Hajj.

### **Similarities and Differences between Eid al-Adha and Eid al-Fitr:**

- **Both celebrated** once a year and Muslims offer two units of congregational Eid prayer, visit their neighbours, family and friends and exchange sweets and gifts during both Eids.
- **An important part of Eid celebrations includes caring, giving and helping those** who are less fortunate. On Eid, Muslims support the people that are in difficult situations by visiting the sick in hospital or the elderly. Also providing good food, nice clothes and other needs so the poor are able to celebrate Eid in happiness. Islam teaches us to share our kindness and blessings every day and especially on Eid day. How beautiful is Islam... Subhan Allah!
- **We give charity on both Eids** but there is a special act of charity which occurs in Eid al-Adha called **Qurbani** or **Udhiyah**. It honours the willingness of Prophet Ibrahim AS to sacrifice his son, Prophet

Ismail AS, as an act of obedience to Allah SWT's command. Allah SWT was testing Prophet Ibrahim AS and provided a ram for Ibrahim AS to sacrifice instead. In tribute of this, an animal like a goat, sheep, lamb, cow or camel is sacrificed and divided into three parts: one part of the share is given to the poor and needy; second part is for the home, third is given to relatives and friends. Many poor Muslim families who cannot afford meat can enjoy eating a meal prepared with meat during Eid al-Adha.



Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Love, Learn and Live Islam!** Allah SWT tells us in the Quran about the story of sacrifice from **Prophet Ibrahim AS & Ismail AS** (Surah 37 As-Saffat; ayah/ 99-112).

We remember from our Week 1 lesson that a long time ago, Prophet Ibrahim AS and his wife had a beautiful baby boy named Ismail. When the baby Ismail became older, Prophet Ibrahim AS had a dream to give up his most special and dear son for Allah SWT. Prophet Ibrahim AS told his son about this dream. Prophet Ismail AS was a brave boy. He was ready to obey the command of Allah SWT and so without hesitating, he told his father, "Do what you are commanded to do. God willing, you will find me one of the steadfast".

So, both father and son went to give up their dearest and most special things as Allah SWT commanded them to do so. Suddenly, Allah SWT said "Stop Ibrahim, you have obeyed my command from your dream!" Allah SWT had tested Prophet Ibrahim AS and his son Ismail to give up something that they loved, and they had passed this test of faith and belief. Allahu Akbar! Allah SWT was so pleased with the readiness of Prophet Ibrahim AS to fulfil His command.

Prophet Ibrahim AS made a choice and did not question Allah SWT's command. He loved his son but loved Allah SWT more. He put his complete trust and dependence in Allah SWT as did his son Prophet Ismail AS. This is having Tawakkul (trust) in Allah SWT. Allah SWT loves those that trust Him and grants them success and good blessings.

Today, Muslims all around the world remember this story about Prophet Ibrahim and his son's courage, their deep love for Allah SWT and the passing of the test Allah SWT had given them when we sacrifice on Eid al-Adha.



### LESSONS LEARNT:

- **Pleasing Allah SWT is our priority:** Look at the way Prophet Ibrahim AS and Prophet Ismail AS reacted and responded to Allah SWT's command. They did not reject, question or even waver in their thoughts and actions. How do respond to Allah SWT's commands? Do we delay our prayers and put other things before Allah SWT? Do we rush to do a good deed? Do we live with the intention to please Allah SWT like Prophet Ibrahim AS and his family?
- Prophet Ibrahim AS and Prophet Ismail AS knew what sacrifice meant; giving up things which we love and are valuable to us for something that is even more important. The ability to do this is a key to being a successful Muslim. **What things are you willing to give up/let go of to show Allah SWT your willingness to obey Him even if it is hard?**

Prompt students with the following examples:

- Favourite toy or game
- Watching favourite cartoon
- iPad
- Listening to music
- Tasty and favourite food
- Nice clothes or shoes
- Playing favourite game like Fortnite or FIFA
- A share of Eid money

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## LESSON 4: The Story of Nuh AS

Kindy	• Students are introduced to this Prophet.
Yrs 1 & 2	• Student learn more details about this Prophet.
Yrs 3 & 4	• Students understand some lessons learnt from this Prophets' story.
Yrs 5 & 6	• Students can relate lessons learnt to their everyday lives.

EARLY STAGE 1 & 2

KINDY- YEAR 2



Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Love, Learn & Live Islam**

Nuh AS, or Noah in English, was a Prophet of Allah SWT who lived for over 1100 years! Nuh AS was a man who loved Allah SWT very much and did everything to please Allah SWT. He was mostly known for the famous Ark that he built. His Ark was so huge that it fit every type of animal, and all types of plants.

Prophet Nuh AS lived for a very long time and tried to get the people to pray to Allah SWT. Nuh tried to tell his people for many years, every day and every night, hoping they would turn back to Allah SWT. But they did not want to listen, and many people behaved in bad ways. They would make fun of Prophet Nuh AS and call him names and push him away. Even Nuh's son was among those who didn't believe. This made Nuh AS very sad and in his sadness, Nuh AS prayed to Allah SWT for help.

Allah SWT told Nuh AS to build an Ark and that a flood will be coming. Allah SWT told Nuh to warn the people that only those who believe who followed Nuh AS onto the Ark would be saved from the floods. Allah SWT also told Nuh AS to place from every animal, both a male and female.

Nuh had complete trust and belief in Allah SWT. Even though Nuh AS was instructed to build his Ark near a dry desert land and there was no sign of water, bad weather or even rain- he didn't question Allah SWT. Nuh just did the job Allah SWT told him to do and built his Ark. He never gave up warning everyone about the floods either, in the hope people would believe him and turn to Allah SWT. For hundreds of years, Nuh AS and the few people who followed him worked hard to build the Ark.

Once the Ark was filled with all the supplies and the animals, the rains began. Nuh AS instructed everyone to enter the Ark in the name of Allah SWT. It rained so hard and so ferociously, with strong, howling winds. The earth cracked open with water towering out and swallowing up everything. The rivers turned into oceans, the valleys started to fill with water, and the water level started to rise in the lands. The floods had arrived, Subhan Allah. Nuh and his followers and the animals set sail on the Ark until they were able to start a new life in a new place, where all listened to and worshiped Allah SWT.



**LESSONS LEARNT:** What do we learn from the story of Nuh AS?

- **Sometimes people might tease you for doing the right thing**, like being honest or for wearing the hijab or for stopping your game to pray your Salat. We need to be strong from inside and **continue to do the right things** to please Allah SWT, **no matter what**, just like Nuh AS, so we too can be loved by Allah SWT and make it to Jannah inshaa Allah.

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**STAGE 2 & 3**

**YEARS 3 - 6**



Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Love, Learn & Live Islam**

Nuh AS, or Noah in English, was one of the earliest Prophets of Allah SWT who lived for over 1,100 years. He is one of the Prophets know in the other original Books given to people (scriptures) like the Injil and Tawrat. His most known story was of his huge Ark that he built with the instructions from Allah SWT and the help of Angel Jibril AS. Nuh AS had strong Taqwa and was dedicated to Allah SWT. He is mentioned many times in the Quran. In fact, Allah SWT named a whole Chapter (Surat Nuh, Chapter 71) after him.

His mission, like all other prophets, was to guide people back to worshipping Allah SWT. This job was not an easy one. Nuh AS preached for 950 years and never gave up, despite all the hardships and challenges along the way!

During the time of prophet Nuh AS, people had turned away from Allah SWT and were worshipping idols. People behaved in bad ways and mistreated the poor. Nuh AS was the only one who believed in Allah, Subhan Allah! Nuh preached to his people for many years, every day and every night, in the hope they would turn back to Allah SWT and worship him instead of their manmade idols. They did not want to listen. Instead they would mock him and call him names and push him away. Even his son ignored him! Nuh AS spent 950 years being rejected and humiliated, trying to bring people back to worshipping Allah SWT. In that time no more than 80 people accepted Nuh AS's message and turned back to worshipping Allah SWT – it was only the poor people were listening and following him, and the poor were not liked by the wealthy. Nuh AS, from his frustration, after 950 years of preaching to them, guiding them and warning them, prayed to Allah SWT for help!

Allah SWT instructed Nuh AS to build an Ark with the help of Angel Jibril AS and told him that a flood will be coming and that only the believers on the Ark will be saved from the floods. Allah SWT also told Nuh AS to get every animal, both a male and female and to gather all sorts of plants as well.

Nuh had complete trust and belief in Allah SWT. Even though Nuh AS was instructed to build his Ark near a dry dessert land and there was no sign of water, bad weather or even rain- he didn't question Allah SWT. He just did the job Allah SWT told him to do and built his Ark. He never gave up warning everyone about the floods either, in the hope people would believe him and turn to Allah SWT. For hundreds of years, Nuh AS and the few people who followed him worked hard to build the Ark. The Ark was huge. It was anywhere from 70 to 100 metres long and three stories high. It comfortably fit every animal species in the world. Nuh constructed this huge Ark with no manual or supplies apart from some hand tools and directions from Angel Jibril AS.

Throughout this time Nuh AS never gave up preaching, in the hope more people would believe him and turn to Allah SWT. All through these years he was ridiculed and teased even more. Some people thought he was under a spell. His complete trust and faith in Allah SWT kept him going regardless of what people were saying and doing to him. The Ark became bigger month by month and year by year and was huge enough to house every animal on earth, and all the vegetation needed.

No sooner was the Ark was filled with all the supplies and the animals when the rains begun. Nuh instructed everyone to enter the Ark in the name of Allah SWT. It rained so hard and so ferociously, with strong, howling winds. The earth cracked open with water towering out and swallowing the earth. The rivers turned into oceans, the valleys started to fill with water, and the water level started to rise in the lands. The floods had arrived. Anyone not on the Ark was not able to be saved. Nuh's son was among those. If he had listened to his father's advice, he could have been saved. Subhan Allah.

After some time, the water had subsided, the water began to dry up and the lands started to appear. The ark landed in a place called Mount Judi in Turkey. Allah SWT tell us in the Quran, "**We left the Ark as a sign, a miracle, can anyone deny this,**" (The Moon 54;15).



### LESSONS LEARNT:

There are many lessons we can take from the story of Nuh AS.

- **Muslims should always have a can-do attitude**, just like Nuh AS building his Ark. Don't underestimate yourself! ***How do we deal with challenges we encounter, bullying in the playground or problems or difficulties at home? Do we give in and decide that life is too hard - or persevere and ask for Allah SWT's help to resolve our problems!*** We need to be patient and persistent in everything - our prayers, dua, our bond with the Quran, our schoolwork and relationships with others. Sometimes patience isn't just about how long you can wait, but *how well you behave while you are waiting* Never give up on making a positive change in yourself to please Allah SWT!
- **Make Dua.** When times get tough, and you find you can't seem to go further. Remember when Nuh AS felt frustrated, he turned to Allah SWT and made Dua.
- **Be strong from the inside - don't react with aggression.** Prophet Nuh AS ignored all the negative behaviour towards him. This story shows us it is OK not to follow the crowd and do what everyone else is doing. Always hold your head up high and be proud of who you are as a Muslim. No matter who is against you, if Allah SWT is with you, then no one can harm you.



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## LESSON 5: Prophet Dawud AS

Kindy	• Students are introduced to this Prophet.
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### EARLY STAGE 1 - STAGE 1

### KINDY – YEAR 2

Prophet Dawud (also known as Prophet David AS), is a Prophet from the people of Prophet Musa AS. Prophet Dawud AS was blue eyed and very handsome, he wasn't very big in appearance. In fact, he was very thin and small with a very pure heart.



Allah SWT gives us stories in Quran to **Love, Learn and Live Islam!**

After the time of Prophet Musa AS, people began to **ignore the laws of Allah SWT**. Allah SWT choose for them a King called **Talut** (Saul) to try and lead them into victory again. Talut was a great man who feared Allah SWT and organised an army to fight against their enemies. Talut was finding it very hard to fight of the enemies though as they had a large gigantic bad man called **Jalut (or GOLIATH)**. One day, before a battle, Talut tried to encourage the soldiers to fight **Goliath** by offering great rewards like his whole kingdom to the one who could beat Goliath the giant. But the army was terrified as they were a very small group against 1000's of enemy soldiers! But young Dawud AS bravely put his hand up and said, **"I will get rid of the giant!"** A shout of laughter echoed from the giant's side, and even Duwad's fellow soldiers shook their heads in disbelief!

Although King Talut was very impressed by young Dawud AS's courage, he said: "Let the strong men come forward..." Dawud AS asked Talut **not to judge him** by his small appearance and informed him that he had fought off a lion and a bear before! So Talut tried to dress Dawud AS in battle armour and handed him a sword, but Dawud AS was not used to wearing the big, heavy battle amour. He felt uncomfortable in it and decided to remove the armour. Dawud AS instead collected a few pebbles and filled his leather pouch and began to walk towards Goliath!

Talut was worried and asked Dawud how a sling and small pebbles could protect him against the giant? Dawud AS had fought off a bear and a lion before so he positively replied: "Allah Who protected me from the **claws of the bear** and the **fangs of the lion** will certainly protect me from this giant!" When Goliath saw young Dawud AS, he laughed loudly and roared: "Are you out to play, I will defeat you with one swipe of my sword!"

Dawud AS shouted back: "You may have armour, shield, and a sword, but I face you in the name of Allah. whose laws you have made fun of. Today you will see...**the will and power of Allah!**" Dawud AS took his sling and placed in it a pebble from his pouch. He swung and aimed it at Goliath. The pebbles shot from the sling with the speed of an arrow and one hit Goliath's head with great force! Goliath thumped to the ground and the giant was defeated once and for all!



Dawud AS became a hero overnight, as finally his people had victory and their honour back! Dawud AS married King Talut's daughter, and after Talut passed away, Dawud AS became the ruler with a huge kingdom!

Allah SWT then gifted Dawud AS with the scriptures called the Psalms (Zaboor), a book of Allah SWT. And so Dawud AS became a **Prophet and Messenger who was also a King!**



### LESSONS LEARNT

- **Don't judge people by appearances.** Everyone in the story underestimated the ability of Dawud AS because of his small appearance. We should never judge a book by its cover- meaning never judge a person by appearances only, but instead we should look at their inside character- who they are. We should always take time to know people before judging them, for e.g. just because a person is small does not mean they can't be a good sports player on a team. Remember everyone is created differently. When making new friends make sure you give everyone a chance- fair go!
- Dawud AS had a soothing voice! Allah SWT loved the prayer of Dawud AS. Allah SWT has commanded us to **beautify our voices with the Quran**. How beautiful do the reciters of Quran sound? Pronouncing the Quran correctly and beautifully is called **Tajweed**. We should aim to recite the Quran melodiously! **Can anyone recite anything with Tajweed and demonstrate? Suggestion: Al-Fatiha.**

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### STAGES 2 - 3

### YEAR 3 – YEAR 6

Prophet Dawud (also known as Prophet David AS) was from the tribe of Prophet Musa. Prophet Dawud AS was blue eyed and very handsome, he wasn't very big in appearance. In fact, he was very thin and small with a very pure heart.

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After the time of Prophet Musa AS the people began to **ignore the laws of Allah SWT**. Allah SWT appointed them a King called Talut (Saul) to try and lead them into victory again. Talut was a great man who feared Allah SWT and began to organise an army to fight against his enemies. Talut was finding it very hard to fight his enemies though, especially a large gigantic bad man called **Jalut (or GOLIATH)**. One day, before a battle, King Talut tried to encourage the soldiers to fight **Goliath** by offering his kingdom as a reward - to the one who could beat the giant Goliath. But his army was terrified, as they were approximately 313 men against 1000's of enemy soldiers! Young Dawud AS bravely put his hand up and said, **"I will get rid of the giant!"** A roar of laughter echoed from the enemy's side, and even his own fellow soldiers shook their heads in disbelief.

Although Talut was very impressed by Dawud AS courage, he said: "Let the strong men come forward." Dawud AS asked Talut **not to judge him** by his small appearance and that he had fought off a lion and a bear before. So Talut tried to dress Dawud AS in battle armour and handed him a sword, but Dawud AS was not used to wearing the big battle armour. He felt uncomfortable in it and removed it and instead, filled his leather pouch with some pebbles and began to walk towards Goliath.

Talut was worried and asked him how a sling and small pebbles could defend him against the giant? Dawud AS had previously fought off a bear and a lion so he confidently replied: "Allah Who protected me from the **claws of the bear** and the **fangs of the lion** will certainly protect me from this giant!" When Goliath saw young Dawud AS, he laughed loudly and roared: "Are you out to play, I will defeat you with one swipe of my sword!"

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Dawud AS became a hero overnight, and his tribe reclaimed victory and their honour that had been lost for **over 500 years!** Dawud AS married King Talut's daughter, and after Talut passed away, Dawud AS became the ruler with a huge kingdom!

Allah SWT then gifted Dawud AS with the scriptures called the Psalms (Zaboor), a Book of Allah SWT. Dawud AS then became the **first Prophet and Messenger who was also a King!**



Dawud AS was a fair and just leader who was loved by all his people. Allah SWT gave Dawud AS wisdom/hikmah meaning he was able to solve problems and complaints. Allah SWT says **"And We strengthened his kingdom and endowed him with wisdom and critical judgement"** (38:20).

Allah SWT also gifted Dawud AS with the most beautiful voice created! With his beautiful voice Dawud AS would melodiously (beautifully) sing the praises of Allah SWT (words of Dhikr)! Allah SWT loved to listen to the voice of Dawud AS. Creatures such as the plants, birds and even the mountains responded to his amazing voice

**"With him We had subjected the mountains that they join him in celebrating Allah's glory, evening and morning, and the birds, too, in their flocks, and turn again and again to celebrating Allah's glory. (38:18-19)** Subhan Allah! can you imagine the birds gathering in flocks surrounding Dawud AS and repeating in their own language with the mountains echoing also?!

Dawud AS was also given another amazing gift. Allah SWT gave him the ability to mould the metal **iron** in his hands into anything he wanted! **"And We made the iron soft for him." (Quran, 34:10)**

Iron was pliable in his hands like playdough! Allah SWT then taught Dawud AS to make small iron rings and link them together as armour. Do you remember the beginning of the story when Dawud AS tried to wear the sheet of armour to fight Goliath? It was too heavy. Dawud AS invented the chained suits of armour that were later used for many centuries all over the world!



Dawud AS also had a very wise son named **Sulaiman AS**. He too was also gifted with the ability to speak to birds. The day Dawud AS passed away was an extremely hot day and thousands of people came to the funeral. Sulaiman AS commanded flocks of birds especially big eagles to use their wings as a shade over the people - protecting them from the sun rays. Subhan Allah!!



**LESSONS LEARNT:**

- **Don't judge people by appearances.** Everyone in the story underestimated the ability of Dawud AS because of his small appearance. We should never judge a book by its cover- meaning never judge a person by outside appearances only, but instead we should look at their inside character- who they are. We should always take time to know people before deciding who they are for e.g. just because a person is small does not mean they can't be a good sports player on a team. Remember everyone is created differently. When making new friends make sure you give everyone a chance- fair go!
- **Dawud AS had strong trust in Allah SWT and this made him feel brave and fierce!** Allah SWT rewarded Dawud AS with a kingdom, His Book (Psalms) and made him a Prophet! When we have strong faith and trust/**tawakkal** in Allah SWT, we too will be rewarded in ways that are beyond our imagination. Allah SWT loves and rewards those who put their **complete** trust in Him at all times. This means we don't believe in things like e.g. lucky charms - we know Allah SWT decides and controls the outcome for everything.
- **Dawud AS was an extremely humble person who never used his wisdom, money, power or authority for evil.** Instead Dawud AS used the gifts Allah SWT blessed him with to assist his people. Allah SWT has given us all **special gifts and talents**. Find out what your **talent** is and use it in a way that **pleases Allah SWT** and helps **benefit** others! Remember to always try hard using your skills (at school) and not to be lazy and waste them.
- **Dawud AS had a soothing voice!** Allah SWT loved the prayer of Dawud AS. Allah SWT has commanded us to **beautify our voices with the Quran**. How beautiful do the reciters of Quran sound? Pronouncing the Quran correctly and beautifully is called **Tajweed**. We should aim to recite the Quran melodiously! **Can anyone recite anything with Tajweed and demonstrate? Or make a beautiful Adhan?**

**EXTENTION YEARS 5 - 6**

- **Allah SWT first:** With all his power and kingdom, Dawud AS understood that if he wanted to be successful in life, **Allah SWT had to come first**. Dawud AS always made time to do **extra worship** and remember Allah SWT. The Prophet Muhammad SAW said, *"The Salat which is dearest to Allah is that of (Prophet) Dawud AS; and the fasting which is dearest to Allah is that of (Prophet) Dawud AS.... (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)*. This was because Dawud AS used to fast every other day (one day yes, next day no and son on), and he used to get up in the middle of the night and pray extra. We too need to strive to make time for extra worship whenever we can. Doing good deeds should be done daily and Allah SWT loves the **deeds that are done regularly**, e.g. praying on time as soon as you can, smiling at your teachers every day, helping pack up every day and so on. The more we strive with good actions, the closer we get to Allah SWT!

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## LESSON 6 – Prophet Sulaiman AS

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Yrs 1 & 2	• Student learn more details about this Prophet.
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### EARLY STAGE 1 & STAGE 1

### KINDY – YEAR 2



**Sulaiman AS** was the **son of Prophet Dawud AS** whom we learnt about last week. Remember Prophet Dawud AS was also a Prophet and king. Prophet Sulaiman AS was born into **this rich and mighty kingdom and wise a wise and powerful King**. He used his might and wealth to help his people live in peace and comfort. All the while he lived a simple life. Allah SWT gave him **special abilities** where he could **control the winds** by telling it which way to blow. He could also understand and **talk to birds and animals**. He had a huge army with men, birds and animals.



Allah SWT gives us stories in Quran to **Love, Learn and Live Islam!** **Storytime: Prophet Sulaiman AS and the Ants:**

One day, Prophet Sulaiman AS was passing through a valley along with his mighty army. In the valley there lived a large number of ants. Seeing the huge army coming, one of the ants at once shouted a warning to its fellow ants “Get into your homes before Prophet Sulaiman AS and his army tread on you by mistake! Quick! Hurray!”. Prophet Sulaiman AS heard what the ant said and smiled and then immediately ordered his army to STOP marching and wait until the ants were safe; He was glad that the ant knew him to be a Prophet who would never harm Allah SWT's creation. He thanked Allah SWT for giving him this special ability and also saving the ants' lives.

Isn't that an amazing story, Subhan Allah?! Imagine all the things we would hear if Allah SWT had given us the ability to hear the animals talk to each other! Next time you see an animal, remember that it is a life made by Allah SWT, and deserves to be treated kindly and with respect!



### LESSONS LEARNT:

- **Importance of showing kindness to animals** - Prophet Sulaiman AS showed us that we should look after ALL animals, big or small! Even tiny ones, like ants or insects.
- **Be grateful to Allah SWT for all your blessings** - Prophet Sulaiman AS immediately thanked Allah SWT for giving him this special ability to hear the ant's plea, so he was able to stop his army from marching and save all the ants from being stepped on.

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### STAGE 2 & STAGE 3

### YEAR 3 - 6

Introduction to Prophet Sulaiman AS:

1. He was the son of Prophet Dawud AS whom we learnt about in Lesson 4. Remember he was also a Prophet and a great king who ruled Jerusalem. Both father and son were granted great wisdom by Allah SWT and ruled with justice, compassion, and kindness.
2. Wise, rich and a powerful King of a mighty kingdom. He prayed to Allah SWT for a kingdom that no one would have after him, and Allah SWT granted him a most glorious and vast kingdom, blessed with abundant wealth and riches to rule. He used his might and wealth to help his people live in peace and comfort. All the while he lived a simple life.
3. By Allah's SWT will, he had special abilities:
  - a. Control the winds - he would command the wind to blow gently or severely allowing for the ships to travel long distances in a very short span of time.
  - b. Understand and talk to birds and animals - he had a huge army with men, birds and animals. Even ants knew he was a Prophet.
4. One of the 25 Prophets mentioned in the Quran
5. English name is Soloman, as described in the Injeel and Towrat (Christian Bible and Jewish Torah).



Allah SWT gives us stories in Quran to **Love, Learn and Live Islam!**

**Story 1:** Prophet Sulaiman AS and the ants (in Surah 27 An-Naml [the Ant]: ayah/verses 17-19).

One day, Prophet Sulaiman AS gathered his army of men, birds and animals. He marched them until he came to a valley. While they were passing through a valley, an ant saw the approaching army and suddenly shouted out to warn the other ants: "Run to your homes! Otherwise, Prophet Sulaiman AS and his army might crush you under their feet by accident!" Prophet Sulaiman AS, hearing the cry of the ant, smiled. He was glad that the ant knew him to be a Prophet who would not intentionally harm Allah's SWT creation. He immediately asked the army to STOP and march in a different direction to avoid all the ants and their home.



He also made Dua to thank Allah SWT for all the favours given to him and his parents and also allowing him to do good deeds that please Allah SWT so to make him a righteous and good Muslim (Quran: Surah 27 An-Naml (the ant), ayah/verse 19):

*Rabbi Awzi'ni an ashkura ni'matakallati an'amta 'alayya wa'ala waalidayya wa an a'aamal saalihan tardaahu wa'adqilni bi rahmatika fi ibadika-saaliheen.*

**"My Lord enable me to be grateful for Your favour which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents and to do righteousness of which You approve. And admit me by Your mercy into [the ranks of] Your righteous servants."** Aameen.

**Story 2:** Queen of Sheba meets Prophet Sulaiman AS (Surah 27 An-Naml [The ant], ayah 20-44).

One day, Prophet Sulaiman AS called for a meeting with all his subjects, including the animals. They were all present there except the Hudhud, (or the hoopoe bird). Prophet Sulaiman AS waited a little while until the Hudhud eventually came. The bird was late to this meeting because it discovered some important news! The bird told Prophet Sulaiman AS that it had come from a place called Sheba. Sheba was ruled by a queen named Bilqis who had a splendid and magnificent throne. The bird continued and said it was shocked to witness the people of Sheba and their queen worship the sun instead of Allah SWT.

Prophet Sulaiman AS was a wise king, and he never rushed into taking action without thinking carefully about it first. The Prophet Sulaiman AS asked the bird to deliver a letter to the Queen of Sheba. He also asked the bird to stay close, and watch the Queen as she read the letter, and report back to him with her reaction.

The next day, the bird flew to the kingdom of Sheba and dropped Prophet Sulaiman AS's letter near the Queen. The bird then sat in a tree nearby and watched as she opened the letter and began to read: "Bismillahil rahman al Raheem - In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, and Most Merciful". The letter asked the Queen to stop worshipping the sun, and to worship Allah SWT instead.

Just like Prophet Sulaiman AS, the Queen was also very intelligent and wise. She thought long and hard before deciding how to respond to Prophet Sulaiman AS's letter. While the Queen's advisors told her to write back rudely to Prophet Sulaiman AS, she decided that a friendly, more peaceful response would be better. She ordered her advisors to send gifts to Prophet Sulaiman AS from her treasury.

Sometime later, her advisors returned from the kingdom of Prophet Sulaiman AS, bringing the gifts back with them. The advisors told her that Prophet Sulaiman AS was most gracious, but did not accept the gifts as Allah SWT had already blessed with him mountains of wealth, a magnificent kingdom, and the gift of Prophethood! The advisors also excitedly told the Queen about the incredible buildings they had seen in Prophet Sulaiman's kingdom. Now the Queen was truly intrigued and decided to visit Prophet Sulaiman AS. Accompanied by her royal officials and servants, she set out, sending a messenger ahead to inform Prophet Sulaiman AS that she was on her way to meet him.

Prophet Sulaiman AS had an idea and used his special abilities to bring the Queen's throne to the palace before she arrived. Prophet Sulaiman's AS welcomed Queen Bilqis when she arrived at the palace and pointed to the throne and he asked her whether her throne looked like that one. In her mind she was convinced that her throne could not possibly be the one she was looking at, as hers was in her palace, but said it resembled her throne in every way.

He then invited her into the great hall, the floor of which was laid in glass and shimmering. Thinking it was water, as she stepped on the floor, she lifted her skirt slightly above her heels, for fear of wetting it. Prophet Sulaiman AS pointed out to her that it was made of solid glass. The Queen of Sheba had never seen anything like it, and quickly realised she was in the company of an extraordinary man. Allah SWT allowed the Queen to recognise that the Prophet Sulaiman AS was not just a great king, but also a Messenger of Allah SWT. She repented and accepted the faith of Allah SWT and she became Muslim - and then all her people did the same, alhamdulillah!

Her exact words are described in Quran Surah 27 An-Naml (the ant), ayah/verses 44: She said, **"My Lord, indeed I have wronged myself, and I submit with Sulaiman to Allah SWT, Lord of the worlds."**



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- **Importance of showing kindness to animals** - Prophet Sulaiman AS stopped his entire army when he heard the call from the ant. Subhan Allah this shows that we should be mindful and kind to all animals and living things. We should never intentionally harm any of Allah's SWT creations, no matter the size.
- **Make sure everyone feels safe around you:** Prophet Sulaiman AS guided Queen of Sheba to the straight path of Islam and to worship Allah SWT alone **without any force or harshness**. We should

always be polite, well-mannered and humble to everyone and not think we are better than others or deserve more than anyone else. Respect everyone and don't be arrogant. Easy going, polite, softly spoken people will be rewarded by Allah.

- **Always be grateful to Allah SWT** - Prophet Sulaiman AS thanked Allah SWT for granting him a special ability to hear and understand the ant's plea and for saving the ants lives. This should always be our attitude when Allah SWT blesses us with good things – be grateful and thankful to Allah SWT and continue to do good deeds to please Allah SWT as a way of thanking Him.
- **Reflect on the bravery of this single ant**, standing up, calling out for help and saved the whole ant community. Allah SWT shows us how that no matter how small you are you can make a difference and be productive. We should strive to be proactive, kinder, more responsible and compassionate to each other.
- **Recognise that your gifts come with responsibility to use them wisely**. Prophet Sulaiman AS used his gift of speaking with animals to protect them and keep them safe and his great wealth without pride or arrogance but to make his kingdom peaceful and comfortable! We should never be proud if Allah SWT blesses us with wealth, intelligence, health etc... we should always remember to thank Allah SWT. Allah SWT has blessed us with so much. We need to always remember this and thank Allah SWT for everything. *How to you use the gifts Allah SWT has blessed you with?*

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## LESSON 7: Prophet Yusuf AS

Kindy	• Students are introduced to this Prophet.
Yrs 1 & 2	• Student learn more details about this Prophet.
Yrs 3 & 4	• Students understand some lessons learnt from this Prophets' story.
Yrs 5 & 6	• Students can relate lessons learnt to their everyday lives.

### EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 1

### KINDY- YEAR 2



Allah SWT tells us that the most amazing story in the Quran, is the story of Prophet Yusuf AS. He was the most beautiful man that Allah SWT ever created! There are many stories about Yusuf AS. Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Live, Love & Learn Islam**. Today we will learn the **Story of the Well**.

When Yusuf AS was a young child, he had a special dream that meant he was going to be a Prophet of Allah SWT when he grew up. Yusuf's father AS was also a Prophet named Yacoub AS. Yusuf's grandfather and great grandfather were prophets too. He was the youngest boy and had 11 elder brothers. His brothers always felt jealous of Yusuf - they felt their father gave Yusuf extra attention!

When Yusuf AS had the amazing dream, his father Yacoub AS told Yusuf AS not tell anyone about his dream so that no one would be jealous or try to harm him. But Yusuf AS was young and forgot what his father said. When his older brothers found out about the dream, they decided to get rid of Yusuf AS so that they could have their father all to themselves and they made a horrible plan!

They decided to take Yusuf with them to play out of town one day. While they were out, they put Yusuf in a well as part of their game for others to find. Once he was at the bottom of the well, the brothers decided to leave him there and go home to tell their father that a wolf had eaten up Yusuf while they were playing! Yusuf AS was very sad when he realised what his brothers had done to him. He was afraid and remembered that his father told him not to tell anyone about his dream. He wished he had listened. Soon some travellers arrived at the well to fetch some water and they lowered a bucket down the well. As they pulled the bucket up they saw a beautiful young boy holding onto the bucket! It was young Yusuf AS. They decided they would keep him and sell him in Egypt where they were heading. When the travellers arrived in Egypt they went to the markets and sold Yusuf for a few pennies. A very rich man named Aziz bought Yusuf as a slave. He and his beautiful wife didn't have children so they raised Yusuf like their own son. Yusuf AS grew up to be a beautiful and very smart young man who always did the right thing and loved Allah SWT very much. Because Yusuf always did the right thing Allah SWT eventually reunited Yusuf with his father who had missed him very much and his brothers came and begged for his forgiveness. Even after all they had done, Yusuf AS still forgave his brothers!



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- **Avoid jealousy:** We learn in the story of Yusuf how jealousy can make you do bad things. Muslims should never be jealous. We should all be happy to see our friends and family do good things. And if Allah SWT gifts others with beautiful things we should be happy for them.
- **Try your best to listen to your parents and our elders:** They always try to give us good advice, and most parents know what is right and wrong for us. Yusuf AS remembered he should have listened to his father and not tell anyone about his dream, but it was too late.

### **STAGE 2 & 3**

### **YEARS 3- 6**

Allah SWT tells us that he has given us the best story ever told in the Quran. This is the story of Yusuf AS. He is described as the **most noble man ever created and the most beautiful man ever created**. He was the son of Prophet Yacoub AS, who was the son of Prophet Ishaq AS, who was the son of Ibrahim AS (also known as the friend of Allah SWT). So, he came from a line of Prophets! The beauty of Prophet Yusuf AS was like no other - Allah SWT tells us that he placed half the beauty in this entire world in Yusuf AS! Yusuf would rather go to prison than do anything wrong and unfortunately, that is what happened to him, out of no fault of his own. His teachings of Allah SWT never stopped though, even in prison. There are many stories about Yusuf AS throughout his life. Stories of his sadness, hardships, patience and victory, but today we will focus on just one story: **The STORY OF THE WELL**. Allah SWT gives us stories in the Quran to **Live, Love & Learn Islam**.



When Yusuf AS was a very young child, he had seen a dream which he knew had meaning to it. With such excitement, he went to his father to tell him about it. Yusuf had explained that he had seen 11 stars, the sun and the moon prostrate to him. His father being a Prophet of Allah, and having the wisdom and knowledge that Allah SWT had blessed him with, knew that this dream truly had a prophetic meaning for young Yusuf AS. He told his son to keep this dream to himself and to not talk about it with anyone, not even his brothers. He further explained that sometimes people can get bad thoughts and ideas in their minds that might lead them to do bad things.



But young Yusuf quickly forgot his father’s advice to keep his dream to himself. He told his brothers about his dream and surely, they began to plot against him. They already were jealous of Yusuf and thought that he got more attention from their father. They decided on a plan to leave Yusuf AS at the bottom of a water well outside of their town, where travellers will eventually find and take him. By doing this, they thought they would have their father for themselves. And when it is all over, they would ask Allah SWT to forgive them for their actions.

The next day, the brothers asked their father Yacoub AS if they could take their younger brother Yusuf with them to play. Yacoub AS had a feeling something would go wrong but allowed them to take Yusuf with them. As they planned, they found a water well just outside of their town, they took Yusuf’s shirt and arranged for Yusuf AS to go down a water well as part of their game. Once Yusuf AS was placed at the bottom of the well, the brothers all left him there alone! It started to get dark, voices disappeared, and Yusuf AS realised that his brothers had abandoned him. He became incredibly sad. He was all alone at the bottom of the well, when he remembered his father’s warning to him about his dream. After some time, travellers passed by the well and lowered the bucket to fetch some water. Yusuf was small enough to grab hold of the bucket and got pulled up with the water. The travellers were surprised to see a beautiful young boy come out of the well and decided to keep Yusuf and sell him in Egypt where they were heading.

On their way home, Yusuf’s brothers had killed an animal and splashed its blood on Yusuf’s shirt. When they arrived home, they pretended to cry and explained to their father that a wolf had attacked Yusuf, they showed him the shirt with blood stains on it and said that a wolf ate him! Yacoub AS was aware that his sons had plotted against Yusuf and was very saddened by what they had done. He explained to them that his patience is beautiful to Allah SWT. As he knew the wolf did not eat his son and hoped Allah SWT would one day reunite them.

The story of Yusuf AS was not over. Yusuf AS was sold in the market by the travellers for a few pennies. A very rich man named Aziz bought Yusuf as a slave. He and his beautiful wife didn’t have children so they raised Yusuf like their own son. Yusuf AS grew up to be a beautiful and very smart young man who always did the right thing and loved Allah SWT very much. Yusuf AS never did bad things, in fact, he would rather go to jail than do something wrong and unfortunately, that’s what happened to him one day. He was wrongly accused and imprisoned! But because Yusuf was patient and always did the right thing, Allah SWT allowed him to finally leave prison and become the King’s top minister and right-hand man! Allah SWT also eventually reunited Yusuf with his father who had missed him very much and even his brothers came and begged for his forgiveness. And even after all they had done, Yusuf AS still forgave his brothers! And Yusuf AS’s dream of prophethood also came true!



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- **Be kind to family: Sibling rivalry** happened to the children of Prophets and can happen to anyone. Try to be patient and forgiving towards your siblings, like Prophet Yusuf AS.
- **Be careful who you tell your secrets to:** Some people might be jealous or envious of you so don’t showcase or show-off your achievements for the whole world to see. In today’s digital world, many people post everything on social media. This allows other people to become jealous of you. You may go through struggles to get where you are, but people viewing your photos and statuses don’t see that. They are only seeing the result, which could be something they have always wanted. Out of jealousy, they may start being rude or say harsh things about you or even accuse you of showing

off, all out of jealousy or envy. Let's think wisely about what we choose to show the world and be more aware of the wisdom given to us and Yusuf AS by his father, Prophet Yacoub AS!

- **Avoid jealousy:** Don't be like the brothers of Yusuf AS and envy what you think others may have or achieved. We must remember that Allah SWT decides what is best for us and others and we should be happy for those around us. We should say words like "Tabarak Allah," and "Mashaa' Allah" when we see something beautiful or hear about something we like and make Dua for Allah SWT to bless them and ourselves further. This way you will remember that everything anyone has all really belongs to Allah SWT and this will help prevent envy inshaa'Allah.
- **Don't knowingly do the wrong thing and think it is OK to make amends for it tomorrow,** like the brothers of Yusuf AS, when they knew leaving Yusuf in the well was a bad thing to do but convinced themselves that they would repent to Allah SWT when it was all over. This is a trick used to make you think it is OK to do something bad. An example of this might look like:
  - Delaying your salat, telling yourself, you are busy or still young, that you have plenty of time when you are older...
  - When you know you should be dressed a certain way, for example not wearing clothes that are revealing or wearing a hijab, and telling yourself you are still young, and one day you will repent and do the right thing...

If you know you are doing the wrong thing, Allah SWT is also aware of this. Do the right thing from NOW inshaa' Allah.

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## LESSON 8: The Prophet Muhammad SAW – PART 1



KINDY	• Students are introduced to the last and final Prophet, Muhamad SAW.
Yr 1 & 2	• Student learn more details about Muhamad SAW.
Yr 3 & 4	• Students understand some lessons learnt from the Prophet Muhamad SAW.
Yr 5 & 6	• Students can relate lessons learnt to their everyday lives.

\*\*\*TEACHERS: There are 2 parts to the story of Prophet Muhammad SAW. Part 1 introduces students to some background of Prophet SAW and early beginnings, to provide a foundation for future information to be built on in Part 2. Names mentioned can be repeated or written on the board to aid comprehension.

### **EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 3**

### **KINDY – YEAR 6**

Prophet Muhammad SAW is the final messenger in the chain of Prophets! Allah SWT saved the best for last! The Prophet SAW is described in the Quran as being the BEST of creations and **“on an exalted (high) (standard) of character” (Quran 68: 4)**. Everything Allah SWT told us do in the Quran, Muhammad SAW modelled it for us in his life. Muhammad SAW was described as having a strong build, extremely handsome and his face was said to be more beautiful than a full moon; it radiated light! He had a beautiful thick, long, black beard, beaming eyes and long eyelashes. The most beautiful thing about the Prophet SAW was his amazing smile!



To gain Allah SWT's love, Muslims must love and follow and copy the great character of Muhammad SAW as much as we can. The Prophet SAW told us that we aren't true believers until we love him more than anyone or thing else. And if we really want to love and know our Prophet Muhammad SAW, we need to read about him and learn the **SEERAH** (this is all the events of his life). Did you know that there is no other human being in history that had everything he did narrated by billions of people! Subhan Allah, this is a miracle from Allah SWT!



So, let's travel 1400 years back in time to the Arabian desert in Makkah and learn some SEERAH! Muhammad SAW's father's name was **Abdullah**, his mother's name was **Aaminah**. Unfortunately, Abdullah died before the Prophet SAW was born (so he was an orphan). On a Monday morning in the month **Rabi'Al-Awwal**, the Prophet Muhammad SAW was born! His grandfather, **Abd al-Muttalib** was over the moon with excitement! He carried the newborn to the Kabbah, and thanked Allah SWT for this new blessing and named the baby **Muhammad**. The name Muhammad was an unusual name - Abd Muttalib told everyone it means **the most praised!** Subhan Allah, today, Muhammad is thought to be the most popular boy name in the world and every second, billions of people around the world praise and mention Muhammad SAW by saying the Salawat – this is when we say words like: **Allahuma Salli was salim Ala Muhammad... "O Allah, send prayers, peace and blessings on our Prophet Muhammad."**

Back then, the people of Makkah would send their newborn babies to live in the clean desert air with foster parents - to help make them healthy and strong. So, Aaminah sent Muhammad SAW to stay with a lady to look after him called Halimah. Halimah said as soon as she carried Muhammed SAW she felt the blessings come - her she-camel, sheep and goats went from being very thin to being very strong and healthy and full of milk! As soon as Muhammad SAW came to live with Halimah in the dry desert, it rained, grass grew, and everything flourished! Halimah knew Muhammad SAW was very special!

When Muhammad SAW was approximately four, Halimah returned him to Aaminah. Aaminah had another helper named Barakah, an Ethiopian girl who was very wise and loved Muhammad SAW very much and took great care of him. Muhammad SAW loved Barakah very much too. Unfortunately, Aaminah died when Muhammed SAW was 6 years old. Muhammad SAW and Barakah then lived with his grandfather Abd al-Muttalib. Abdul al-Muttalib never left Muhammad SAW away from his side, and even took him along with him to meetings of his tribe and council. When Abd al-Muttalib sadly died, Muhammed SAW was looked after by his uncle Abu Talib who loved and protected him also.

As a young teenager, Muhammed SAW was a shepherd (someone who carefully looks after flocks of sheep). To be a shepherd you have to be very, very patient, focused and concentrate on all the sheep to make sure they are all safe. *Did you know that every Prophet was a shepherd at one time in their lives?* Allah SWT gave them training to be patient, calm, alert, considerate and watchful!

At that time in Makkah, most of the people were worshipping idols, they were rude, lied, cheated, hurt and harmed the poor, women weren't respected, slaves were treated unfairly, animals were suffering also from mistreatment. Muhammad SAW saw all of this and it made him very upset. He didn't hang around with bad people or follow their evil practices. He chose to be different and was instead the only one in the whole of Makkah people could trust and believe. All the people called him **Al-Ameen** (the trustworthy) and **Al-Saddiq** (the truthful) and would give him their valuables to look after them!

Muhammed SAW then worked for a woman called **Khadijah RA**. Khadijah RA was super impressed by his manners, hard work and honesty. Her wealth increased with his honest business dealings. Khadijah and the Prophet Muhammad SAW got married and they had 4 daughters and 2 boys.

It was when he was 40 years old that Allah SWT sent Angel Jibril AS to tell him - he was chosen to be a Prophet! The night Muhammed SAW first saw Jibril AS he was very frightened. Muhammad SAW ran to

Khadijah RA trembling with fear and confused. “Cover me, cover me...Zammilooni, zammilooni...” he told her worried about what he had seen. Wise Khadijah RA comforted Muhammed SAW and calmed him down. She told him, “**Allah SWT would never disgrace or humiliate you. You unite people and keep good relations with all your relatives, you help the weak, poor and needy, you are kind and generous to your guests, you assist the deserving and unfortunate and are truthful.**”

Khadijah RA had a very old, wise cousin who was a follower of Prophet Issa AS and Musa AS (the old scriptures) and she went to him for advice. Her cousin told them that Jibril AS was the same angel sent to Musa and that Muhammad SAW was heading for great things! Muhammad SAW was honoured with being a Prophet! Angel Jibril AS kept coming to Prophet Muhammad SAW with the words of the Quran for 23 years. Muhammed SAW had to go through a lot of challenges and hard work to deliver the message of Allah SWT, but he always did so with the best of manners. Allah SWT says in the Quran that.... “**Indeed you (O Muhammad SAW) are of outstanding character**”. \*\*\*We will learn more about these challenges in the next lesson inshaa’Allah!



### LESSONS LEARNT: KINDY – YEAR 2

- **SALAWAT:** If we want to be closer to Allah SWT and increase our love for Muhammad SAW, we HAVE to say the salawat whenever we hear Prophet Muhammad SAW’s name. When we send salawat, Allah SWT and ALL the Angels send it too! Subhan Allah! Say it throughout our day- it’s great habit!
- Allah SWT rewarded Muhammad SAW’s **honesty** by making him respected and trusted by everyone. *What will you gain from being more honest and truthful in everything you do?*



### LESSONS LEARNT YEARS 3 - 6:

- **Everything that happens is a part of Allah SWT plan.** Although we may think things to be negative, Allah SWT is **All-wise and always fair** and loves us more than anyone else and always wants the best for us. Muhammad SAW always tried to think positively and likewise we should always be hopeful and remember we have Allah SWT guiding us.
- **Being mindful of your community.** Show empathy like the Prophet SAW, even if you smile at them, it could show you care and cheer them up. **Empathy** means understanding and recognizing other people’s pain or what they may be feeling. *Are we thoughtful of people around us? (family, friends). Do we notice when someone isn’t feeling happy or is in need of help? Are you of service to others like the Prophet Muhammad SAW? Islam teaches us to care about everyone by reaching out for their needs – Muslim and non-Muslim.*
- **Your actions and choices define your character.** Prophet Muhammad SAW became known as Al-Amin and As Sadiq at a young age and this **reputation**/name stuck with him throughout his entire life. We need to remember that our reputation starts at a young age also. Your actions will determine how people describe you and remember you. *So, how do others describe you? What would you like others to remember you for? What do you need to do to have a good reputation? Today, much of our character is displayed on our social media. What character are you displaying/sharing? Would the Prophet Muhammad SAW approve of your behaviour online? Be careful not to do silly things just to fit in - it will only result in people labelling you with the wrong descriptions and a bad reputation. Make sure you make the right decisions or ask for help if you are facing tough decisions. Let’s be like the Prophet Muhamad SAW!*



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## LESSON 9: Prophet Muhammad PART 2

KINDY	• Students extend learning about the Prophet Muhammad SAW.
Yr 1 & 2	• Students learn some lessons from the life of Prophet Muhammad SAW.
Yr 3 & 4	• Students can discuss lessons learnt from the life of Prophet Muhammad SAW
Yr 5 & 6	• Students can relate lessons learnt to their everyday lives.

### EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 1

### KINDY – YEAR 2



When the Muhammad SAW became a Prophet, he started telling his family and people around him that there was only One God and that they should do good and stop doing bad things, to stop worshipping idols, to stop lying, cheating, stealing and being unfair. He told them that all people were born equal, to feed the needy and hungry, to look after those who needed help, to be kind to their families and others and even to plants and animals!

But a lot of the rich people in Makkah, where the Prophet SAW lived, didn't like this message - they wanted to keep doing things the same way they had always done - so they spread lies about Muhammad SAW and made fun of him and the few people that believed him. Despite all the mean things they did, the Prophet SAW never said or did mean things back and he made sure that those who followed him didn't either. When the mean people of Makkah realised their nasty ways hadn't stopped the Prophet Muhammad SAW from teaching about Islam, they decided they needed to be even more cruel in order to stop him. They wouldn't sell anything to any Muslim, not even food. *Subhan Allah, what would you do if you were this situation? What do you think the Prophet SAW did?* Even though what they did to him and his followers made him very sad and angry, the Prophet SAW did what Allah told him to do; "Repay bad with good" and "reply with words of peace" and be patient (Quran 28:54, 41:34, 25:63). Even on a day that the Prophet SAW called the hardest day of his life! The Prophet Muhammad decided to try to help the Muslims get away from their bad situation by seeking help and protection at a nearby town called Taif. He spent days there telling the people at Taif about Islam, but they ignored him and made fun of him and even threw rocks and sticks at him until he was bruised and bleeding, and they sent him out of their town. The Prophet SAW felt so overwhelmed and sad and like he couldn't relax... (al-Bukhâri, 3059; Muslim 1795). *But what do you think he did?* The Prophet SAW forgave the people for being so mean and instead made Dua to Allah SWT that they would become Muslim and he asked Allah SWT for help! Allah SWT listened to the Dua of the Prophet SAW, and soon the whole town became Muslim.

Allah SWT gave the Prophet SAW another reward too... He sent the people of another town called Yathrib to Prophet Muhammad and they actually invited the Prophet Muhammad SAW to come and live in their town with all his friends and followers! There the Prophet and Muslims lived happily and grew into a big, strong community and the city became known as "The City of the Prophet" or "Al-Madina"! And do you know, later the Prophet SAW went back to his hometown of Makkah where they had made fun of him and hurt the early Muslims... But this time, the Prophet Muhammad SAW returned with 10, 000 strong Muslims and as the strongest leader in the land! All his old enemies were worried because the Prophet Muhammad SAW was now the most powerful man in the city! *But do you know what the Prophet Muhammad SAW did to those in Makkah who had treated him so badly?* Again,

the Prophet Muhammad SAW was kind and forgave them all, saying he forgave them just like the Prophet Yusuf AS had forgiven his brothers! Many people, who had once been the Prophet SAW's worst enemies, saw his great kindness and soon, all of Makkah become Muslim too!



### **LESSONS LEARNT:**

- ✓ **The Prophet Muhammad never said mean things to others.** He taught us never to stoop to the level of those who insult us.
- ✓ **The Prophet SAW helped people become better people, with nice manners and forgiveness.**
- ✓ **Allah SWT rewards us for all the hard things we go through! Things might look bad at the time, but Allah SWT might have something even better for you planned instead! You just need to keep trying your best!**



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## **STAGE 2 & 3**

## **YEARS 3- 6**



When Muhammad SAW became a Prophet at age 40, he had many difficult times. For the first 10 years while he taught people about Allah SWT and told people to do good, many of the rich and powerful people (called the Quraysh) in his city of Makkah didn't believe him and even did mean and nasty things to the Prophet and those that believed him. They wanted to keep doing things the same way they had always done; treating the poor and weak and women harshly, treating animals cruelly, and making money by having people pay to see their idols. So, they treated Muhammad SAW and his followers very badly and they made sure others treated them very badly too. They called him names and made fun of him. Even though what they did to him and his followers made him very sad and angry, the Prophet SAW did what Allah told him to do; "Repay bad with good" and "reply with words of peace" and be patient (Quran 28:54, 41:34, 25:63). The Prophet SAW never said or did mean or rude things back and he made sure that those who followed him didn't either. The Prophet Muhammad SAW and his friends just kept asking Allah for help and doing the good things Allah SWT asked for.

When the people of Quraysh saw that their mean ways didn't stop the Prophet SAW, they decided they needed to hurt Prophet Muhamad and even more. They told everyone not to sell any food to the Muslims and not to talk to them or be friends with them. They did this to Prophet Muhammad and the Muslim for three long years! It really made the Prophet Muhamad SAW and Muslims very hurt and sad. It got so bad that the Prophet SAW told Muslims who could travel to escape to Ethiopia, where a kind King would look after them. The Muslims who stayed behind continued to live in hardship. Eventually, the two closest and much-loved people to the Prophet SAW, his wife Khadija (RA) and his uncle Abu Talib, both got very sick because of all they had gone through and they died. That year, the 10<sup>th</sup> year of calling people to Islam, the Prophet called "The Year of Sadness". He had lost people he loved very much and felt like he had no support left for himself or for the Muslims. And after 10 years, only 150 people had become Muslim.

So, the Prophet SAW decided to go find help somewhere else. The Prophet Muhamad SAW walked non-stop for days with his adopted son, Zayd Ibn Haritha RA, to a town called Taif, to teach people about Allah SWT and look for help. Prophet Muhamad SAW spent several days there in the town,

trying to teach the people about Allah SWT. He went to the leaders, but they ignored him and made fun of him. The Prophet SAW tried talking to the townspeople, but they just ignored him. Then the leaders sent a crowd to throw sticks and rocks at the Prophet SAW as he tried to leave. Zayd RA tried so hard to protect the Prophet Muhammad but they kept throwing sticks and stones at the Prophet Muhammad SAW and Zayd RA. They finally escaped out of the town all bloody and bruised. The Prophet SAW felt so sad and overwhelmed and shocked. He felt like this was his worst day ever; the most difficult day of his life! The Prophet SAW started to make Dua and beg Allah SWT for help. Suddenly Angel Jibril AS appeared with the Angel of the Mountains. He told the Prophet SAW that Allah had seen what the Prophet SAW had gone through and that if the Prophet SAW wanted, the Angel of the Mountains would crush the town of Taif for how they had treated him. *What do you think the Prophet SAW replied? What would you have said if people had treated you this way, insulted you and thrown rocks at you until you bled and driven you out of the town?* Well, the Prophet Muhammad SAW, on his most difficult day, instead of seeking revenge, said *no, I hope that one day Allah will make that town Muslim*, and he just let them be! Subhan Allah, how forgiving was the Prophet Muhammad SAW, even on his saddest and worst day! Subhan Allah, it was only a few years later that the Prophet SAW's Dua came true and that whole town of Taif became Muslim.

The story wasn't finished there though. When the Prophet SAW was back in Makkah, he was soon invited to be the leader of another town called Yathrib. They welcomed him and the Muslim to their town and looked after them! There the Muslims lived happily and grew into a big, strong community where everyone, no matter their race or status, age or gender, were treated fairly and kindly. It became a great city, known as, "The City of the Prophet" or "Al-Madina"!

And do you know, a few years later, the Prophet SAW went back to his hometown of Makkah, where they had made fun of him and hurt the early Muslims. But this time, he returned with 10, 000 strong Muslims and walked in peacefully through the city, all the way back to the Kabbah, as the strongest leader in the land! *And what do you think the Prophet Muhammad SAW did to those in Makkah who had treated him so badly?* Again, the Prophet Muhammad SAW was kind and forgave them all, saying he forgave them just like Prophet Yusuf AS had forgiven his brothers! Many people, who had once been the Prophet Muhammad's worst enemies, saw his great kindness and soon all of Makkah became Muslim too!



### LESSONS LEARNT:

- **We can't control people's bad behaviour, but we can control our reactions.** We need to always remember that Allah SWT told us to "respond to evil with that which is better" or with "words of peace" (Quran 28:54, 41:34, 25:63). The Prophet SAW taught us the strong one is the one who controls their anger. Instead of responding to insults, the Prophet SAW would stay silent, find something good or clever to say or do something good back. He taught us that two wrongs don't make a right. If someone hurts us, we don't hurt them back. The Prophet SAW always tried to find a peaceful or better way out of bad situations. He always turned to Allah SWT for help and guidance. He also looked for help and support from people as well when he needed it.
- **Leave if you need to:** The Prophet SAW understood that sometimes you need to move away from harmful situations. If you're feeling uncomfortable or unsafe, **move away and get help**. Always tell someone and speak up. Allah SWT loves fairness and justice and if someone is not being fair you don't have to put up with it.

- **The Prophet SAW never gave up on his goals**, and when things weren't working one way, he tried a different way, while always maintaining good character. Our job is to always stick to what Allah SWT told us, no matter how difficult it is. There are times when we might not get exactly what we want – despite our best efforts. The Prophet SAW did not get the response he wanted from the people of Taif, but he got something better later in Madina. Things might look bad at times, but Allah SWT might have something better planned for us instead!
- **All of us, even the Prophet Muhammad SAW, can go through tough times and feel sad.** When you are sad, make Dua and remember Allah SWT is always by your side. Try to be patient and forgiving like the Prophet SAW, and inshaa'Allah, this will bring you lots of good.

 See links on the ISRE webpage: <https://www.isre.org.au/resources/2020-term-3-video-links/>

## LESSON 10: REVISION

**\*\*\*Please spend today's lesson catching up on any missed lessons/or enacting the Hajj Role Play activity on pages 17-18, or engage students with the following points/questions:**

This term we went back in time and experienced the amazing Prophet stories that Allah SWT has allowed to remain timeless in the Quran. These stories are not meant to go in one ear and out the other, instead the stories should teach us lessons for our everyday lives.

*Ibrahim AS and his family taught us to obey Allah SWT's command without hesitation or questioning.*

*Nuh AS taught us persistence and patience for the sake of Allah SWT!*

*Dawud AS taught us bravery and courage and to have strong Iman!*

*Suliaman AS taught us that you can be powerful and humble - never oppress or bully anyone!*

*Yusuf AS taught us not to be jealous and to be grateful with what Allah SWT gives us.*

*And for every situation we can look at the life of the Prophet Muhammad SAW –*

***Our role model who was the BEST OF CREATION WITH THE BEST OF CHARACTER.***

1. *What is something you learnt about Hajj?*
2. *Why is the Day of Arafah so special?*
3. *How many times do we walk around the Kabbah at Hajj?*
4. *What are the 2 hilltops that Hajjar RA ran between called?*
5. *What does Hajj/Islam teach us about racism?*
6. *Which Prophet would you like to meet and why?*
7. *What is something you can tell me about the Prophet Muhamad SAW? What is something the Prophet SAW taught us?*
8. *How many years did Nuh teach people about Allah SWT? How big was the ark approximately?*
9. *Which Prophets could speak to birds? Which one could speak to all animals?*
10. *Which Prophet had 11 brothers, and what dream did he have?*
11. *What Prophet story do you think will help you most in your life?*
12. *What is something you have you learnt from the Prophets?*

**\*\*\* Please remember to wish students a lovely and safe holiday break! Jazakum Allahu Khayrun teachers for your dedication and hard work. May Allah SWT accept your deeds as a Sadaqah Jariyah and grant you endless rewards. Aameen.**