ISLAM FOR EVERYONE

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Allah, the angels, the books, the prophets, the Last Day and destiny

8 lessons

- Every lesson: a story about young people in three parts, with a talking question.
- A verse from the Quran or a hadith: Arabic, pronunciation and meaning.
- Six questions, Remember this, a word search and spot the 7 differences.

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How to use a lesson

- Read the story together, part by part. Discuss the talking question.
- Read Did you know? and the verse: first the Arabic, then the pronunciation, then the meaning.
- Then: six questions, Remember this, and Think and write.
- Last page: word search and spot the 7 differences.

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The six pillars of faith

1. **Allah, the Creator** Allah created everything: people, animals, the stars
2. **Allah is One** there is no god but Allah: tawhid
3. **The most beautiful names** Allah has ninety-nine beautiful names
4. **The angels** created from light; they always obey Allah
5. **The books** Tawrat, Zabur, Injil, Suhuf and the Quran
6. **The prophets** from Adam to Muhammad: the same message
7. **The Last Day** everyone sees their good and bad deeds again
8. **Destiny** Allah knows everything, and we choose what we do

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Allah, the Creator

Lesson 1 · creation

📖 **The story: Allah, the Creator**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – A very small hand

Yusra is fifteen. Her sister has just had a baby, a little boy of three kilos. Yusra is allowed to hold him. She is afraid she will do something wrong. The baby grabs her finger with a tiny hand. Five little fingers, five little nails, everything is there. “Who made that so beautifully?” she whispers. Her grandmother smiles. “Nine months ago he wasn’t here yet. Now he breathes, he cries, he drinks. None of us did that. That is the work of Allah, the Creator.” Yusra looks at the little face. She feels something warm in her chest.

⭐ **A baby does not make itself. Allah creates.**

grab = take hold of something quickly · **Creator** = the One who makes something from nothing

Part 2 – The lesson about the universe

At school, in science class, they watch a film about the universe. There are billions of stars. The sun is so big that the earth fits into it more than a million times. Yet everything turns in a fixed orbit. Nothing collides. “What if the earth were a little closer to the sun?” asks the teacher. “Then it would be too hot to live.” Yusra thinks of the baby’s little hand. Small or big: everything is made exactly right. Nothing comes into being by itself. A house has a builder, a drawing has an artist. And this whole universe has one Maker.

⭐ **Everything in the universe is made exactly right.**

universe = everything that exists: stars, planets, space · **orbit** = the path something always follows

Part 3 – Why am I here?

In the evening Yusra sits with her grandmother on the balcony. “Grandma, why did Allah make us?” Grandma thinks for a moment. “To know Him and worship Him. And to be a good person on this earth. We come from Allah and we return to Allah.” She tells her that Allah created the angels from light, the jinn from fire, and the first human, Adam, from earth. “That is why we begin everything with Bismillah: in the name of Allah. And when we are afraid, we say: A‘udhu billahi mina sh-shaytani r-rajim. I seek protection with Allah from the devil.” Yusra looks at the stars. “Thank You, Allah,” she says softly.

⭐ **We come from Allah and we return to Allah.**

worship = serve and honour Allah · **jinn** = beings made from fire that we cannot see

💬 **Let’s talk:** What do you find most beautiful in nature? What does that say about the Creator?

💡 **Did you know? – What was created from what?**

- According to a hadith (Muslim), Allah created the angels from light, the jinn from fire and Adam from earth.
- In the Quran, Allah often invites people to think about the sky, the earth, the animals and their own body.
- Muslims say Bismillah before they eat, drink, study, sleep or travel.

📖 **From the Quran**
Quran 3:190

إِنَّ فِي خَلْقِ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَاخْتِلَافِ اللَّيْلِ وَالنَّهَارِ لَآيَاتٍ لِّأُولِي الْأَلْبَابِ

Inna fi khalqi s-samaawaati wa l-ardi wakhtilaafi l-layli wa n-nahaari la-aayaatin li-uli l-albaab.

“In the creation of the heavens and the earth, and in the alternation of night and day, there are signs for those who reflect.”

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Allah, the Creator

Lesson 1 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. What did Yusra’s sister have?

◯ a cat ◯ a baby

2. What did the baby grab?

◯ Grandma’s hand ◯ Yusra’s finger

3. What did they watch in science class?

◯ a film about the universe ◯ a film about animals

4. According to the story, what does every house have?

◯ a garden ◯ a builder

5. What did Allah create the angels from?

◯ from light ◯ from fire

6. What do we say before we begin something?

◯ Bismillah ◯ Alhamdulillah

⭐ **Remember this:** Allah created everything. We return to Him.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Name three things that make you think of the Creator today.

2. Why do Muslims say Bismillah before they begin something?

Puzzles

Lesson 1 · Allah, the Creator

🔤 Word search

Find the words: from left to right and from top to bottom.

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☐ BISMILLAH ☐ UNIVERSE ☐ CREATOR ☐ GRANDMA ☐ STARS ☐ EARTH ☐ LIGHT ☐ BABY ☐ ADAM ☐ SUN

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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Allah is One

Lesson 2 · tawhid

📖 The story: Allah is One

Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – A question at the internship

Adam is sixteen and doing an internship at a garage. During the break his colleague Jonas asks: “What is actually the most important thing in your faith?” Adam hesitates. He wants to explain it well. “One sentence,” he says. “La ilaha illallah. There is no god but Allah.” Jonas frowns. “Is that all?” “It is short,” Adam laughs, “but everything is in it. Whoever truly means that sentence is a Muslim.” Jonas wants to know what is so special about it. Adam promises to explain it better tomorrow. In the evening he asks his teacher at the mosque.

☆ La ilaha illallah: the most important sentence of Islam.

internship = working to learn a job · **mean** = really intend something

Part 2 – Two parts

The teacher takes a sheet of paper. “This sentence has two parts,” he says. “The first part is: la ilaha, there is no god. That is a denial: you say no to everything people worship besides Allah. Statues, money, fame, the sun, a human being.” He draws a line. “The second part is: illallah, except Allah. That is a confirmation: you say yes to Allah alone.” Adam nods. “So first no, then yes.” “Exactly. Believing that Allah is One is called tawhid. It is the basis of everything. Like the foundation of a house: without a foundation everything falls down.”

☆ First say no to false gods, then yes to Allah.

denial = saying that something is not true · **confirmation** = saying that something is true

Part 3 – Three times one

The teacher writes three sentences. “Allah is the only Lord: He creates, He takes care of everything, He decides. Allah is the only One we worship: we pray only to Him and ask only Him for help. And Allah has beautiful names and qualities that fit only Him: no one is like Him.” Adam copies everything. The next day he explains it to Jonas, with a drawing on an old piece of cardboard. Jonas looks for a long time. “So you believe there is only one who makes everything and whom you may worship?” “Yes,” says Adam. “Simple and strong.” Jonas laughs. “You could have said that yesterday.”

☆ Allah is the only Lord, the only One we worship, and no one is like Him.

Lord = the One who creates and takes care of everything · **quality** = something that belongs to someone

💬 **Let’s talk:** How would you explain tawhid to a classmate in one minute?

💡 Did you know? – Tawhid in three parts

- Scholars divide tawhid into three parts: Allah is the only Lord, Allah is the only One we worship, and His names and qualities are unique.
- Surah Al-Ikhlas (112) sums up tawhid in four short verses.
- The sentence la ilaha illallah is the first part of the shahada, the declaration of faith.

📖 From the Quran

Quran 2:163

وَإِلَٰهُكُمْ إِلَٰهٌ وَاحِدٌ ۖ لَّا إِلَٰهَ إِلَّا هُوَ الرَّحْمَٰنُ الرَّحِيمُ

Wa ilaahukum ilaahun waahid, laa ilaaha illaa huwa r-rahmaanu r-rahim.

“Your God is one God. There is no god but Him, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.”

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Allah is One

Lesson 2 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Where is Adam doing his internship?

- ◯ at a bakery
- ◯ at a garage

2. Who asks Adam a question?

- ◯ his brother
- ◯ his colleague Jonas

3. What does la ilaha illallah mean?

- ◯ Allah is the greatest
- ◯ there is no god but Allah

4. What is the first part of the sentence called?

- ◯ a denial
- ◯ a prayer

5. What is believing that Allah is One called?

- ◯ zakat
- ◯ tawhid

6. What does the teacher compare tawhid to?

- ◯ a foundation
- ◯ a roof

⭐ **Remember this:** La ilaha illallah: there is no god but Allah.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. What is the difference between the first and the second part of la ilaha illallah?

2. What can a person “worship” today without even noticing it?

Puzzles

Lesson 2 · Allah is One

🔤 Word search

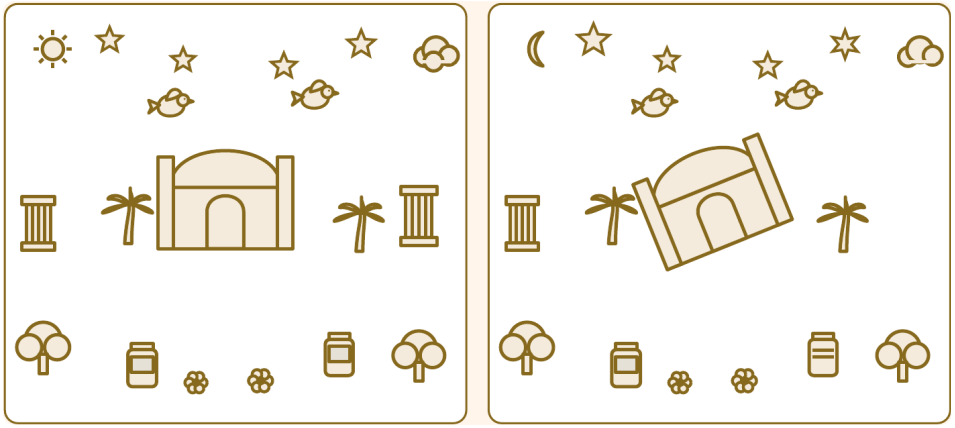
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☐ INTERNSHIP ☐ FOUNDATION ☐ TEACHER ☐ TAWHID ☐ GARAGE ☐ JONAS ☐ LORD ☐ ONE ☐ YES ☐ NO

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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The most beautiful names of Allah

Lesson 3 · al-asma’ al-husna

📖 The story: The most beautiful names of Allah
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – One name a day

Salma is fourteen and is staying a week with her grandmother. Grandma has a game. Every morning Salma draws a card from a little box. On every card is a name of Allah. “Today: Ar-Razzaq,” Salma reads. “What does that mean?” “The Giver of everything we need,” says Grandma. “Our food, our breath, our talents. Look around today: what has Allah given you?” At first Salma thinks it is a childish game. But in the evening she has a list of twelve things. “Grandma, I had forgotten my bread,” she says. “And my eyes.”

☆ Ar-Razzaq: Allah gives us everything we need.

stay with = sleep at someone’s home for a while · **talent** = something you are good at

Part 2 – Ar-Rahman and Ar-Rahim

On day two Salma draws: Ar-Rahman. On day three: Ar-Rahim. “The same thing twice?” she asks. Grandma shakes her head. “Ar-Rahman is His great mercy for everything and everyone: the rain falls on every field. Ar-Rahim is His care for those who seek Him. You say both in Bismillah, more than twenty times a day.” Salma had never thought about that. Now she says it more slowly: bismillahi r-rahmani r-rahim. On day four she draws As-Sami‘: the One who hears everything. “Even what I think?” “Even that,” says Grandma. “That is why a du‘a is never too small.”

☆ Every time you say Bismillah, you name two names of Allah.

merciful = full of love and compassion · **du‘a** = a personal prayer, asking Allah for something

Part 3 – Abdullah and Abdurrahman

On the last day Salma draws: Al-Ghafur, the Forgiving. She thinks of the quarrel with her best friend. She sends a message: “Sorry about last week.” A minute later a heart comes back. Grandma tells her one more thing. “People sometimes carry a name with Abd in front: Abdullah, Abdurrahman, Abdulkarim. Abd means servant. No one may be called Ar-Rahman himself, because that name fits only Allah.” Salma takes the box home. There are still more than ninety cards in it. “One a week,” she promises. “Then I’ll be busy for almost two years.” Grandma laughs. “That is the most beautiful homework there is.”

☆ Knowing a name also means trying to live by it.

forgive = no longer stay angry about a mistake · **servant** = someone who serves another

💬 **Let’s talk:** Which name of Allah comforts you the most? Why?

💡 Did you know? – Ninety-nine names

- The Prophet said that Allah has ninety-nine names (Bukhari and Muslim). The Quran mentions even more.
- Many names begin with Al- or Ar-: Al-Malik (the King), As-Salam (the Peace), Al-Wadud (the Loving).
- Muslims use the names in their du‘a: “Ya Rahman, help me.”

📖 From the Quran
Quran 7:180

وَلِلَّهِ الْأَسْمَاءُ الْحُسْنَىٰ فَادْعُوهُ بِهَا

Wa li-llaahi l-asmaa’u l-husnaa fad’uhu bihaa.

“To Allah belong the most beautiful names, so call upon Him by them.”

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The most beautiful names of Allah

Lesson 3 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Who is Salma staying with?

◯ her aunt ◯ her grandmother

2. What is on the cards?

◯ a question about school ◯ a name of Allah

3. What does Ar-Razzaq mean?

◯ the Giver of everything ◯ the King

4. Which two names are in Bismillah?

◯ Ar-Rahman and Ar-Rahim ◯ Al-Malik and As-Salam

5. What does Abd mean?

◯ king ◯ servant

6. What does Salma send her friend?

◯ a photo ◯ a sorry message

⭐ **Remember this:** Allah has ninety-nine beautiful names.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Choose a name of Allah. What does it mean, and how can you live by it this week?

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2. Why may no one be called Ar-Rahman, but someone can be called Abdurrahman?

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Puzzles

Lesson 3 · The most beautiful names of Allah

🔤 Word search

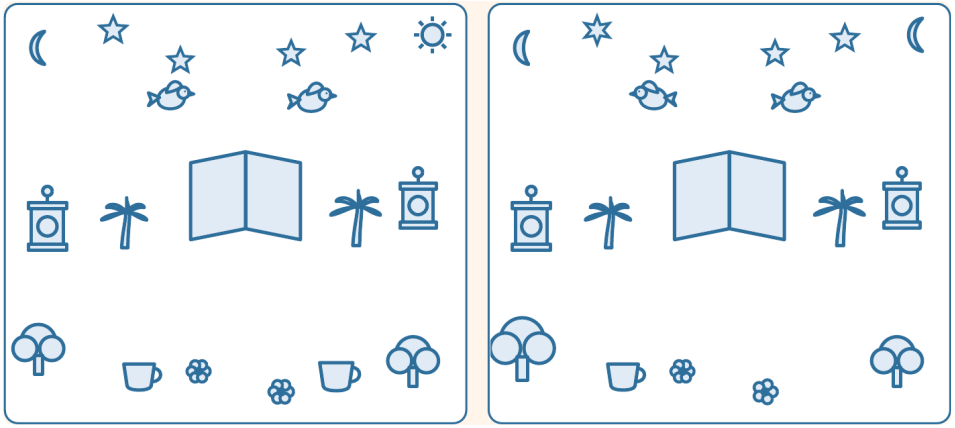
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☐ GRANDMA ☐ SERVANT ☐ RAHMAN ☐ RAZZAQ ☐ GHAFUR ☐ RAHIM ☐ NAMES ☐ SALMA ☐ SAMI ☐ CARD

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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The angels

Lesson 4 · belief in the angels

📖 **The story: The angels**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – Home alone

Rayan is fifteen. His parents have gone to a wedding and he is home alone. His father’s wallet is on the table. A fifty-euro note is sticking out. For weeks Rayan has wanted new earbuds. “Nobody will see,” he thinks. His hand is already moving towards the wallet. Then he remembers something from the lesson at the mosque: on your shoulders sit two angels who write everything down. One on the right for the good, one on the left for the bad. Rayan pulls his hand back. He sits down on the sofa. His heart is beating fast.

⭑ **Nobody sees it? The angels write everything down.**

wallet = small case for money and cards · **earbuds** = small headphones

Part 2 – What do we know about the angels?

The next day Rayan asks his teacher more about angels. “Allah created them from light,” says the teacher. “We don’t see them, but they exist. They don’t eat, they don’t drink and they don’t sleep. They never disobey Allah.” He names a few. “Jibril brought the Quran to the Prophet. Mika’il takes care of the rain. Israfil will blow the horn on the Last Day. And the angel of death takes the souls of people.” Rayan listens quietly. “And those two on my shoulders?” “Those are the noble writers. They forget nothing.”

⭑ **Angels are created from light and always obey Allah.**

obey = do what you are asked · **soul** = the life inside a person

Part 3 – An honest talk

That evening Rayan tells his father what happened. He is ashamed. His father is silent at first. Then he puts a hand on his shoulder. “You were about to do something wrong and you stopped. That is courage. The angel on your right wrote something beautiful today.” Rayan laughs shyly. “I still want those earbuds.” “Then you work for them,” says his father. “You can wash the car, every Saturday. Ten euros each time.” Five Saturdays later Rayan has his earbuds. He finds them even nicer than in the shop.

⭑ **Stopping before you do something wrong is also a good deed.**

be ashamed = feel bad about something · **courage** = daring to do what is right

💬 **Let’s talk:** Does it change what you do if you know that everything is written down?

💡 **Did you know? – Angels in the Quran and the hadith**

- Believing in the angels is one of the six pillars of faith.
- Angels are not boys or girls, and they have no will of their own to disobey.
- According to a hadith, a good deed that you only intended is already written down as a good deed (Bukhari and Muslim).

📖 **From the Quran**
Quran 82:10-12

وَإِنَّ عَلَيْكُمْ لَحَافِظِينَ ۝ كِرَامًا كَاتِبِينَ ۝ يَعْلَمُونَ مَا تَفْعَلُونَ

Wa inna ‘alaykum la-haafidhin, kiraaman kaatibin, ya’lamuna maa taf’alun.

“Over you there are guardians, noble writers. They know what you do.”

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The angels

Lesson 4 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Why is Rayan home alone?

- ◯ his parents are at work
- ◯ his parents are at a party

2. What has Rayan wanted to buy for weeks?

- ◯ new earbuds
- ◯ a new phone

3. What did Allah create the angels from?

- ◯ from earth
- ◯ from light

4. Which angel brought the Quran?

- ◯ Jibril
- ◯ Israfil

5. What do the angels never do?

- ◯ disobey Allah
- ◯ thank Allah

6. How does Rayan earn his earbuds?

- ◯ by borrowing them
- ◯ by washing the car

⭐ **Remember this:** Angels are created from light and write down our deeds.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. What would you have done in Rayan's place?

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2. Which angels do you know now? Write next to each angel what he does.

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Puzzles

Lesson 4 · The angels

🔤 Word search

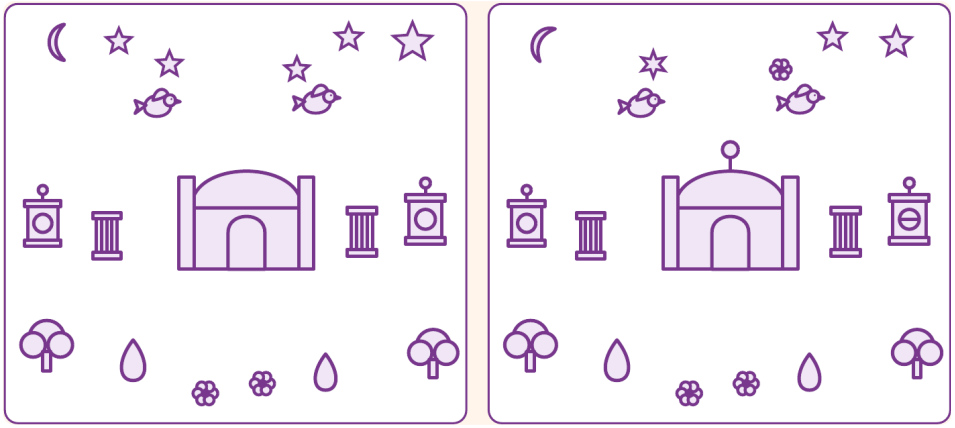
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☐ ISRAFIL ☐ EARBUDS ☐ WRITERS ☐ COURAGE ☐ ANGELS ☐ JIBRIL ☐ MIKAIL ☐ HONEST ☐ LIGHT ☐ RAYAN

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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The books of Allah

Lesson 5 · belief in the books

📖 **The story: The books of Allah**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – Grandma’s bookcase

Lina is sixteen. She is helping her grandmother tidy up. In the bookcase there is an old Quran in a green cover. Next to it is a Bible. “Whose is that?” Lina asks, surprised. “It belongs to our neighbour Maria,” says Grandma. “She gave it to me when she moved. We were neighbours for forty years.” Lina frowns. “Is that allowed, a Bible in the house?” Grandma sits down. “We believe that Allah also sent books in earlier times. To Musa He gave the Tawrat. To Dawud the Zabur, the psalms. To Isa the Injil. That is why we speak about those books with respect.”

⭐ **Muslims believe that Allah also sent books in earlier times.**

cover = a case around a book · **respect** = speaking about something with honour

Part 2 – The last book

“And the Quran?” asks Lina. “The Quran is the last book,” says Grandma. “Allah gave it to the Prophet Muhammad, through the angel Jibril, piece by piece, over twenty-three years. The Quran confirms what was in the older books: belief in one God and doing good. After the Quran no new book will come.” She takes the green Quran from the shelf. “This one belonged to my father. All over the world millions of people know the whole Quran by heart. That is how it has always been preserved, letter by letter.” Lina strokes the old cover.

⭐ **The Quran is the last book of Allah.**

confirm = say that something is right · **by heart** = without looking

Part 3 – The gift

A week later neighbour Maria comes to visit. She now lives in a care home. Grandma makes tea and puts biscuits on a plate. They talk about the old days: about the children who played together in the street, about the hard winters. Maria sees her Bible in the bookcase. “You kept it,” she says, moved. Lina listens and thinks. Two women with a different faith, and still a friendship of forty years. When Maria leaves, Grandma gives her a little box of dates. Lina takes her to the bus. “Your grandmother is a good woman,” says Maria. “I know,” smiles Lina.

⭐ **Respect for another faith and loyalty to your own faith go together.**

care home = home where older people live and get care · **moved** = touched, almost in tears

💬 **Let’s talk:** How do you show respect for someone of another faith without letting go of your own?

💡 **Did you know? – Five books in the Quran**

- The Quran mentions: the Suhuf (pages) of Ibrahim, the Tawrat of Musa, the Zabur of Dawud, the Injil of Isa and the Quran of Muhammad.
- The Quran has 114 surahs and more than 6,200 verses.
- Muslims believe that the original books came from Allah, and that the Quran is the last and preserved message.

📖 **From the Quran**
Quran 2:285

آمَنَ الرَّسُولُ بِمَا أُنزِلَ إِلَيْهِ مِن رَّبِّهِ وَالْمُؤْمِنُونَ ۚ كُلٌّ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَمَلَائِكَتِهِ وَكُتُبِهِ وَرُسُلِهِ

Aamana r-rasulu bimaa unzila ilayhi min rabbihi wa l-mu’minun, kullun aamana bi-llaahi wa malaa’ikatihi wa kutubihi wa rusulih.

“The Messenger believes in what his Lord sent to him, and so do the believers. All believe in Allah, His angels, His books and His messengers.”

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The books of Allah

Lesson 5 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. What is Lina doing at her grandmother’s?

- ◯ helping to tidy up
- ◯ doing homework

2. Whose Bible is in the bookcase?

- ◯ neighbour Maria’s
- ◯ Lina’s

3. Which book did Musa receive?

- ◯ the Injil
- ◯ the Tawrat

4. Which book is the last book of Allah?

- ◯ the Quran
- ◯ the Zabur

5. How long did the revelation of the Quran take?

- ◯ three years
- ◯ twenty-three years

6. What does Grandma give Maria?

- ◯ a book
- ◯ a little box of dates

⭐ **Remember this:** Allah sent books; the Quran is the last.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Which five books does the Quran mention? To whom were they given?

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2. What do you learn from the friendship between Grandma and Maria?

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Puzzles

Lesson 5 · The books of Allah

🔤 Word search

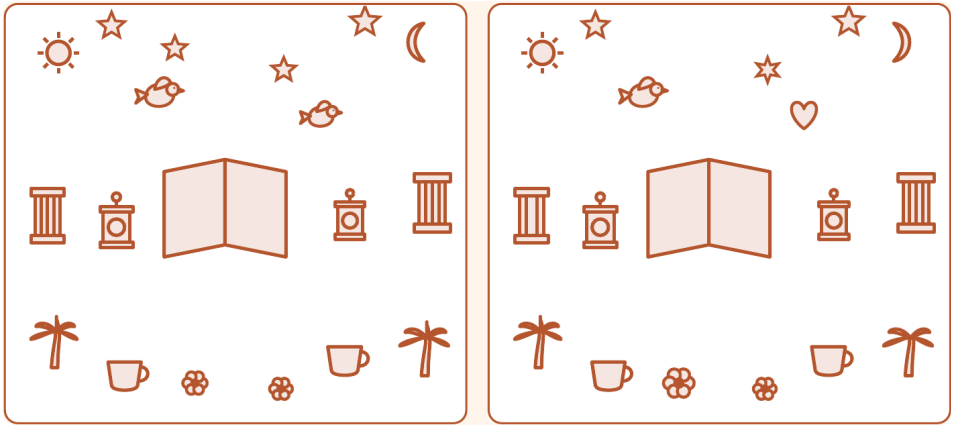
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☐ RESPECT ☐ TAWRAT ☐ QURAN ☐ ZABUR ☐ INJIL ☐ SUHUF ☐ BOOKS ☐ MARIA ☐ DATES ☐ LINA

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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The prophets of Allah

Lesson 6 · belief in the prophets

📖 **The story: The prophets of Allah**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – The list on the board

In Mr Hamid’s class the pupils have to name as many prophets as possible. Idris starts: “Adam!” Sara calls out: “Nuh, with the ark!” Then come Ibrahim, Musa, Isa and Muhammad. Then it goes quiet. “Yusuf,” says Bram, a boy who became Muslim last year. “The one with the well and the dream.” Mr Hamid writes everything on the board. “Twenty-five prophets are named in the Quran,” he says. “But Allah sent many more: to every people, in every time.” He draws a long line. On the left he writes Adam, on the right Muhammad.

⭐ **Allah sent prophets to every people.**

name = say the names · **become Muslim** = accept Islam as your faith

Part 2 – The same message

“What did all those prophets have in common?” asks Mr Hamid. It stays quiet. Then Sara raises her hand. “They all said: worship only Allah?” “Right. Every prophet brought the same core: believe in one God and do good. The rules could differ, the core never.” He tells them that the prophets were ordinary people: they ate, they slept, they worked. Nuh built, Dawud made armour, Musa herded sheep, and Muhammad was a merchant. But they were honest, trustworthy and patient. “They lived what they taught,” says Mr Hamid.

⭐ **All prophets brought the same core: worship only Allah.**

core = the most important part · **armour** = metal clothing for protection

Part 3 – The seal of the prophets

Idris asks: “Will there be another prophet after Muhammad?” “No,” says Mr Hamid. “Muhammad is the seal of the prophets. A seal closes a letter. After him no prophet will come.” That is why Muslims always say something good after his name: sallallahu ‘alayhi wa sallam, peace and blessings be upon him. For the other prophets they say: ‘alayhi s-salam, peace be upon him. Bram looks at the board full of names. “So when I talk about Isa or Musa, I also say peace be upon him?” “Exactly,” says Mr Hamid. “A Muslim believes in all the prophets. Whoever rejects one of them does not believe completely.”

⭐ **Muhammad is the last prophet: the seal of the prophets.**

seal = a stamp that closes something · **reject** = not accept

💬 **Let’s talk:** Which prophet would you like to meet? What would you ask him?

💡 **Did you know? – Five great prophets**

- Five prophets are called the steadfast ones (ulu l-‘azm): Nuh, Ibrahim, Musa, Isa and Muhammad.
- A rasul (messenger) received a new message or a book; a nabi (prophet) followed the message of an earlier messenger.
- The name Isa appears more often in the Quran than the name Muhammad.

📖 **From the Quran**
Quran 16:36

وَلَقَدْ بَعَثْنَا فِي كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ رَّسُولًا أَنِ اعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ

Wa laqad ba’athnaa fi kulli ummatin rasulan ani ’budu llaah.

“We sent to every people a messenger: worship Allah.”

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The prophets of Allah

Lesson 6 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Who writes the names on the board?

◯ Sara ◯ Mr Hamid

2. Which prophet does Bram name?

◯ Yusuf ◯ Salih

3. How many prophets are named in the Quran?

◯ twenty-five ◯ a hundred

4. What was the core of every prophet?

◯ become rich ◯ worship only Allah

5. What was Muhammad's job?

◯ baker ◯ merchant

6. Who is the seal of the prophets?

◯ Musa ◯ Muhammad

⭐ **Remember this:** All prophets said: worship only Allah.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. What did all the prophets have in common?

2. Why is Muhammad called the seal of the prophets?

Puzzles

Lesson 6 · The prophets of Allah

🔤 Word search

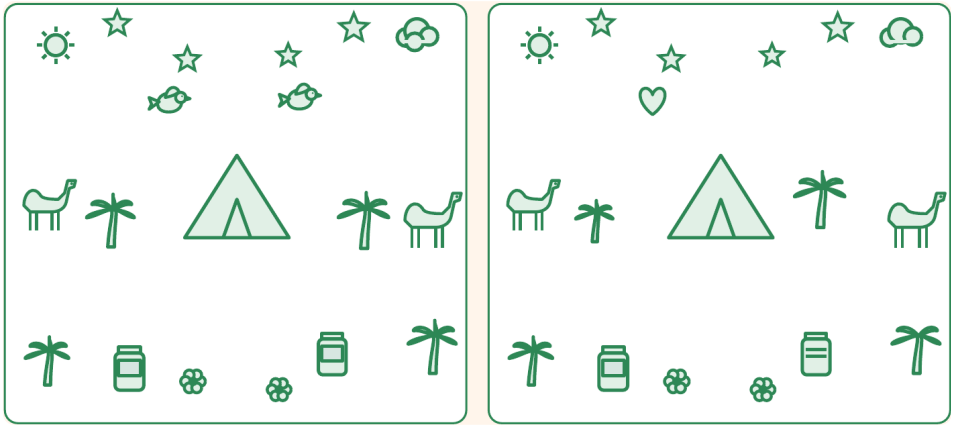
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☐ PROPHETS ☐ MUHAMMAD ☐ IBRAHIM ☐ YUSUF ☐ BOARD ☐ ADAM ☐ MUSA ☐ SEAL ☐ NUH ☐ ISA

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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The Last Day

Lesson 7 · belief in the Last Day

📖 The story: The Last Day

Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – The report

It is the last school day before the Christmas holidays. Ilyas gets his report card. He hardly dares to open it. Maths went well, Dutch too, but there is a red mark for French. His teacher says: “This report shows what you did this term. Not what you planned, but what you really did.” On the bus home Ilyas thinks of something the imam said on Friday: “Every person will one day receive his book. In it is everything he has done.” Ilyas looks at the red mark. He can still improve this report. The other book too, as long as he lives.

⭐ Just as a report shows what you did, our book shows our life.

report card = paper with your school results · **term** = a period of about three months

Part 2 – What happens on that day?

At home Ilyas asks his father about the Last Day. “Our life on earth is short,” says his father. “One day this world will end. Only Allah knows when. Then Allah will bring all people back to life. Everyone will stand before Allah. No one can lie, no one can hide.” “And then?” “Then the deeds will be weighed. Whoever believed and did good goes to Paradise. Whoever did wrong is punished. But Allah is also the Merciful. His mercy is greater than His punishment.” Ilyas is silent. He thinks of the quarrel with his brother last week.

⭐ On the Last Day all deeds will be weighed.

bring back to life = make alive again · **mercy** = forgiveness and love

Part 3 – A new term

After the holidays there is a note above Ilyas’s desk. It says three things: twenty minutes of French every day, one good deed a day, and being honest, even when it is hard. His brother sees the note. “What’s that?” “My plan for the next report,” says Ilyas. “The one report and the other.” His brother doesn’t quite get it, but Ilyas gives him his old headphones, as a sorry for the quarrel. In March Ilyas gets a new report. There is no red mark for French any more. “The other report,” he says to himself, “I’ll see later.”

⭐ As long as you live, you can still make your book better.

desk = table to work at · **get it** = understand

💬 **Let’s talk:** If you could improve one thing in your life today, what would it be?

💡 Did you know? – Names of the Last Day

- The Quran calls that day by many names: Yawm al-Qiyama (the Day of Resurrection), Yawm ad-Din (the Day of Judgement).
- The angel Israfil will blow the horn as a sign that the world is ending.
- A hadith says that Allah has a hundred parts of mercy, and sent only one of them to the world (Bukhari and Muslim).

📖 From the Quran

Quran 99:7-8

فَمَن يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ ۝ وَمَن يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ

Faman ya’mal mithqaala dharratin khayran yarah, wa man ya’mal mithqaala dharratin sharran yarah.

“Whoever does an atom’s weight of good will see it. And whoever does an atom’s weight of evil will see it.”

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The Last Day

Lesson 7 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. When does Ilyas get his report?

- ◯ before the Christmas holidays
- ◯ in June

2. Which subject has a red mark?

- ◯ maths
- ◯ French

3. Who knows when the Last Day will come?

- ◯ only Allah
- ◯ the imam

4. What happens to the deeds?

- ◯ they are forgotten
- ◯ they are weighed

5. What does Ilyas give his brother?

- ◯ his report
- ◯ his old headphones

6. How many minutes of French a day does he plan?

- ◯ five
- ◯ twenty

⭐ **Remember this:** You will see every good and bad deed again.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. What do you think is written in your book this week?

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2. Why does believing in the Last Day also give hope?

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Puzzles

Lesson 7 · The Last Day

🔤 Word search

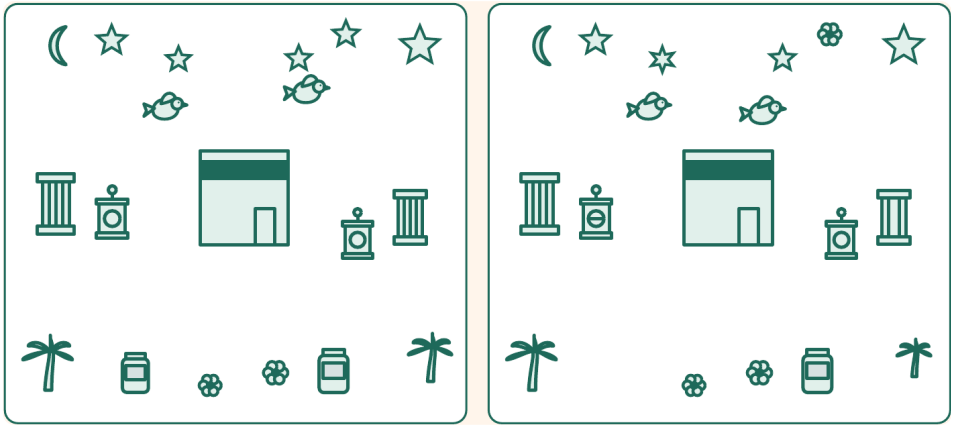
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☐ **PARADISE** ☐ **BROTHER** ☐ **REPORT** ☐ **FRENCH** ☐ **HONEST** ☐ **DEEDS** ☐ **MERCY**
☐ **ILYAS** ☐ **BOOK** ☐ **PLAN**

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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Destiny and my choice

Lesson 8 · belief in qadar

📖 **The story: Destiny and my choice**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – “It’s already decided anyway”

Hamza is sixteen and has an electricity exam tomorrow. He is lying on the sofa with his phone. “Aren’t you going to study?” asks his uncle Karim. Hamza shrugs. “Allah already knows whether I’ll pass. It’s already decided.” Uncle Karim puts his newspaper down. “May I tell you a story?” Hamza sighs, but nods. “A man once came to the Prophet. He asked: shall I tie up my camel and then trust in Allah, or shall I leave it loose and trust in Allah? The Prophet said: tie it, and trust in Allah.” Hamza looks up from his phone.

⭐ **Tie your camel, then trust in Allah.**

exam = a big test · **tie up** = fasten with a rope

Part 2 – Allah knows, and you choose

“Allah knows everything,” says Uncle Karim. “The past, the present and the future. Nothing happens without His will. That is called qadar, destiny. But Allah also gave us free choice. You choose whether you study or not. That is why you are responsible for what you do.” Hamza thinks. “So Allah knows what I will choose, but He doesn’t choose in my place?” “That is how many scholars put it. Knowing is not the same as forcing. A good teacher can predict who will pass, but he doesn’t sit the exam for you.” Hamza puts his phone away. He takes his course book out of his backpack.

⭐ **Allah knows everything, but you are responsible for your choices.**

destiny = everything Allah knows and wills · **responsible** = you have to answer for what you did

Part 3 – After the exam

Two weeks later Hamza gets his marks: twelve out of twenty. Not great, but he passed. His friend Mehdi studied hard and still failed. He is angry and sad. “Why me?” he says. Hamza doesn’t really know what to say. He remembers what Uncle Karim also said: “Do your best. And what happens after that, accept it with patience. Maybe there is something good in it that you don’t see yet.” He says it to Mehdi, in his own words. Together they agree to practise every Wednesday for the resit. In August Mehdi passes with fifteen out of twenty.

⭐ **Do your best, and accept the outcome with patience.**

fail = not pass · **resit** = a second chance for an exam

💬 **Let’s talk:** When do people use “it’s already decided” as an excuse? What is the difference with trusting in Allah?

💡 **Did you know? – Tawakkul: trusting in Allah**

- Believing in qadar is the sixth pillar of faith.
- Tawakkul means: you do everything you can, and you leave the outcome to Allah.
- In hard times Muslims say: Qaddarallahu wa ma sha’a fa‘al, Allah has decreed it and He does what He wills (Muslim).

📖 **Hadith**
At-Tirmidhi

اعْقِلْهَا وَتَوَكَّلْ

I’qilhaa wa tawakkal.

“Tie it and trust in Allah.”

Destiny and my choice

Lesson 8 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Which exam does Hamza have tomorrow?

◯ French ◯ electricity

2. What does Hamza do instead of studying?

◯ sit on his phone ◯ play football

3. What did the Prophet say about the camel?

◯ tie it and trust ◯ let it go

4. What is destiny called?

◯ qibla ◯ qadar

5. How much does Hamza get out of twenty?

◯ eight ◯ twelve

6. When does Mehdi pass?

◯ in December ◯ in August

⭐ **Remember this:** Do your best, then trust in Allah.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. What is the difference between trusting in Allah and doing nothing?

2. What would you say to Mehdi when he failed?

Puzzles

Lesson 8 · Destiny and my choice

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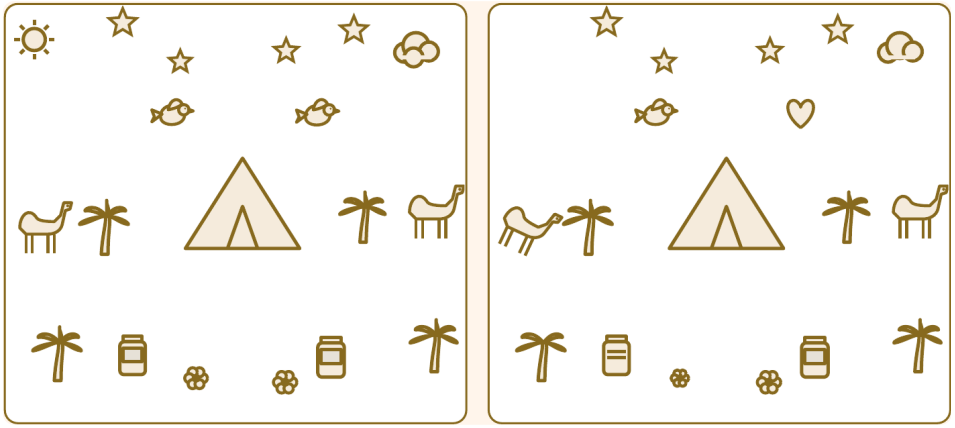
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☐ TAWAKKUL ☐ PATIENCE ☐ DECIDED ☐ CHOICE ☐ QADAR ☐ CAMEL ☐ HAMZA ☐ UNCLE ☐ MEHDI ☐ EXAM

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Word list

armour = metal clothing for protection
be ashamed = feel bad about something
become Muslim = accept Islam as your faith
bring back to life = make alive again
by heart = without looking
care home = home where older people live and get care
confirm = say that something is right
confirmation = saying that something is true
core = the most important part
courage = daring to do what is right
cover = a case around a book
Creator = the One who makes something from nothing
denial = saying that something is not true
desk = table to work at
destiny = everything Allah knows and wills
du'a = a personal prayer, asking Allah for something
earbuds = small headphones
exam = a big test
fail = not pass
forgive = no longer stay angry about a mistake
get it = understand
grab = take hold of something quickly
internship = working to learn a job
jinn = beings made from fire that we cannot see
Lord = the One who creates and takes care of everything
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universe = everything that exists: stars, planets, space
wallet = small case for money and cards
worship = serve and honour Allah