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Al-Ikhlas

Lesson 2 · surah 112 · sincerity

📖 **The story: Al-Ikhlas**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – A question at the internship

Ilyas is doing an internship at a garage. During the break his colleague Kevin asks: “What does your God actually look like?” For a moment Ilyas doesn’t know what to say. “He doesn’t look like anything we know,” he says then. “There is nothing like Him.” Kevin nods. “That’s hard to imagine.” “Exactly,” says Ilyas. “And you don’t have to.”

☆ **There is nothing and no one like Allah.**

internship = learning at a workplace · **imagine** = make a picture in your head

Part 2 – The same question, long ago

At home his mother tells him that people asked the Prophet the same question. “Describe your Lord to us,” they said. Then Surah Al-Ikhlas came. Everything is in four short verses: Allah is One. Everyone needs Him, He needs no one. He has no children and no parents. No one is equal to Him. “That is why the Prophet said this surah is worth a third of the Quran,” she says.

☆ **Al-Ikhlas is worth a third of the Quran.**

describe = tell what something is like · **equal** = the same

Part 3 – The answer for Kevin

The next day Ilyas writes the four sentences of the meaning on a note. He gives it to Kevin. Kevin reads it twice. “Short and clear,” he says. “I can work with that.” Ilyas is happy. He said nothing difficult, only what Allah Himself says about Himself. That evening he recites Al-Ikhlas three times before going to sleep, as the Prophet did.

☆ **Al-Ikhlas: Allah is One, He needs no one.**

clear = easy to understand · **note** = small piece of paper with text

💬 **Let’s talk:** How would you explain to a friend in your own words who Allah is?

💡 Did you know? – Al-Ikhlas

- Ikhlas means sincerity: your faith is pure, only for Allah.
- Whoever recites Al-Ikhlas three times gets the reward of the whole Quran, said the Prophet.
- Many Muslims recite Al-Ikhlas, Al-Falaq and An-Nas before going to sleep.

📖 Surah Al-Ikhlas

surah 112 · 4 verses · Mecca

1

قُلْ هُوَ ٱللَّهُ أَحَدٌ

Qul huwal-laahu ahad

Say: He is Allah, the One.

2

ٱللَّهُ ٱلصَّمَدُ

Allaahus-samad

Allah, the Eternal Refuge.

3

لَمْ يَلِدْ وَلَمْ يُولَدْ

Lam yalid wa lam yulad

He neither begets nor is born.

4

وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُۥ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌۢ

Wa lam yakun lahu kufuwan ahad

And there is none comparable to Him.

Al-Ikhlas

Lesson 2 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. Where is Ilyas doing his internship?

- ◯ at a bakery
- ◯ at a garage

2. What did Kevin ask?

- ◯ what God looks like
- ◯ what time it is

3. How many verses does Al-Ikhlas have?

- ◯ seven
- ◯ four

4. Does Allah need anyone?

- ◯ no, no one
- ◯ yes, the angels

5. How much is Al-Ikhlas worth?

- ◯ a third of the Quran
- ◯ half of the Quran

6. What does ikhlas mean?

- ◯ opening
- ◯ sincerity

☆ **Remember this:** Allah is One and no one is equal to Him.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Explain in your own words what Al-Ikhlas says about Allah.

2. Why is this surah so important?

Puzzles

Lesson 2 · Al-Ikhlas

🔤 Word search

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

V	N	O	T	E	N	S	R	D	E	L
E	A	G	A	R	A	G	E	S	S	G
R	I	O	T	I	L	Y	A	S	L	E
S	E	Q	U	A	L	E	I	K	K	I
E	E	I	K	H	L	A	S	Q	E	A
S	N	H	E	S	E	K	A	A	V	U
R	T	I	E	L	E	V	G	L	I	R
A	H	E	L	I	R	K	T	R	N	H
S	I	S	I	N	C	E	R	E	S	Q
H	R	E	E	E	A	E	S	S	L	L
O	D	R	O	N	E	S	T	S	S	N

☐ SINCERE ☐ IKHLAS ☐ GARAGE ☐ VERSES ☐ ILYAS ☐ KEVIN ☐ THIRD ☐ EQUAL ☐ NOTE ☐ ONE

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

Something is missing, bigger, smaller, turned or moved.

