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Al-Asr

Lesson 6 · surah 103 · time

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

Part 1 – Four hours a day

Ines looks at her screen time. Four hours and twelve minutes a day. “That’s more than a working day a week,” she calculates. She gets a shock. Her friend Douae laughs. “Everybody does that.” But Ines keeps thinking about it.

☆ **Your time is precious: you never get it back.**

screen time = time on your phone or computer · **precious** = worth a lot

Part 2 – By time

In Islam class Mr Karim reads Surah Al-Asr. “Allah swears by time,” he says. “He only does that by something very important. Every person is in loss, except those who do four things: believe, do good deeds, advise each other to the truth, and advise each other to be patient.” Imam ash-Shafi‘i said: if people only understood this surah well, it would be enough.

☆ **Whoever believes, does good and helps others, does not lose.**

swear = say something very solemnly · **patient** = able to wait calmly

Part 3 – Helping each other

Ines sets a limit on her apps: two hours a day. With the time left over she helps her little brother with reading. She tells Douae about the surah. “Advise each other,” she says. “That’s why I’m telling you too.” Douae rolls her eyes, but a week later she sets a limit too.

☆ **Advise each other to do good, with patience.**

limit = a line you don’t cross · **advise** = say that something is good to do

💬 **Let’s talk:** What do you waste a lot of time on? What would you do with an extra hour a day?

💡 **Did you know? – Al-Asr**

- Asr means time, but also afternoon. The asr prayer has the same name.
- The companions of the Prophet often recited Al-Asr to each other when they parted.
- The surah names four things: faith, good deeds, truth and patience.

📖 Surah Al-Asr

surah 103 · 3 verses · Mecca

1

وَٱلْعَصْرِ

Wal-ʻasr

By time!

2

إِنَّ ٱلْإِنسَٰنَ لَفِى خُسْرٍ

Innal-insaana lafi khusr

Surely mankind is in loss,

3

إِلَّا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا۟ وَعَمِلُوا۟ ٱلصَّٰلِحَٰتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا۟ بِٱلْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا۟ بِٱلصَّبْرِ

Illal-ladhina aamanu wa ʻamilus-saalihaati wa tawaasaw bil-haqqi wa tawaasaw bis-sabr

except those who believe, do good deeds, and urge one another to truth and to patience.

Al-Asr

Lesson 6 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. How much screen time does Ines have?

- ◯ more than four hours
- ◯ ten minutes

2. What does Allah swear by in this surah?

- ◯ by the sea
- ◯ by time

3. Who does not lose?

- ◯ whoever sleeps a lot
- ◯ whoever believes and does good

4. What limit does Ines set?

- ◯ two hours a day
- ◯ six hours a day

5. Who does Ines help with reading?

- ◯ her grandmother
- ◯ her little brother

6. What did the companions recite when they parted?

- ◯ Al-Fil
- ◯ Al-Asr

☆ **Remember this:** Faith, good deeds, truth and patience: that is how you use your time well.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Which four things help you not to lose?

2. How can you use your time better?

Puzzles

Lesson 6 · Al-Asr

🔤 Word search

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

C	A	S	R	I	I	N	K	A	A	P
S	I	N	E	S	N	L	A	P	E	A
S	N	K	S	T	I	M	R	S	I	T
S	N	E	O	L	I	M	I	T	U	I
L	D	E	U	O	I	T	M	T	L	E
M	E	E	L	E	S	C	R	E	E	N
E	T	U	A	S	E	T	I	M	E	C
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T	N	L	L	O	S	S	A	L	M	R
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☐ PATIENCE ☐ SCREEN ☐ TRUTH ☐ DOUAE ☐ LIMIT ☐ KARIM ☐ TIME ☐ INES ☐ LOSS ☐ ASR

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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

