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Wudu step by step

Lesson 3 · the small washing

📖 **The story: Wudu step by step**
Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – Too fast

Ayoub is fourteen. He always does his wudu in thirty seconds. A bit of water on his face, quickly over his arms, done. One evening his grandfather stands next to him at the sink. “You forgot to wash your elbows,” says Grandpa calmly. “And you only did half of your feet.” Ayoub turns red. “I’m in a hurry, Grandpa.” Grandpa smiles. “Do you know what the Prophet said? Whoever does wudu well, his small sins fall away with the water, even from under his nails.” Ayoub looks at the water in the sink. “Then I’ll do it again,” he says. “Slowly.”

⭐ **Whoever does wudu well also washes away his small sins.**

sink = washbasin · **sins** = bad deeds

Part 2 – Grandpa shows how

Grandpa begins. “First the niyya, in your heart: I am doing wudu for the prayer. Then you say Bismillah.” He washes his hands three times, up to the wrists. Then he takes water in his right hand and rinses his mouth and his nose three times. He washes his face three times, from the hairline to the chin and from ear to ear. Then his right arm up to and including the elbow, three times, and then the left. “Now the head,” says Grandpa. With wet hands he wipes once over his hair. With his fingers he washes his ears. Last come the feet, up to and including the ankles: first right, then left.

⭐ **Hands, mouth, nose, face, arms, head, ears, feet.**

wrist = where your hand joins your arm · **ankle** = the bone between your foot and your leg

Part 3 – A minute for Allah

Ayoub tries. It takes almost two minutes. “Too long,” he mutters. “You shouldn’t overdo it either,” says Grandpa. “The Prophet used little water. Waste nothing, not even with a full tap.” Ayoub turns the tap down a little. After a week it goes by itself. He notices something else: after a calm wudu he feels calmer. When he is angry with his brother, he sometimes even goes to do wudu, even if it is not prayer time. “The cold water cools my head,” he says. Grandpa nods, satisfied. “Wudu is more than washing. It is getting ready to speak with Allah.”

⭐ **Wudu gets you ready to speak with Allah.**

overdo = do too much · **waste** = use more than you need

💬 **Let’s talk:** When could wudu help you to calm down?

💡 **Did you know? – When do you have to redo wudu?**

- Wudu is no longer valid after using the toilet, passing wind, deep sleep or fainting.
- With one wudu you may pray several prayers, as long as it stays valid.
- After wudu many Muslims say the shahada: Ashhadu an la ilaha illallah ...

📖 **Hadith**

Muslim

مَنْ تَوَضَّأَ فَأَحْسَنَ الْوُضُوءَ خَرَجَتْ خَطَايَاهُ مِنْ جَسَدِهِ حَتَّى تَخْرُجَ مِنْ تَحْتِ أَظْفَارِهِ

Man tawadda'a fa-ahsana l-wudu', kharajat khataayaahu min jasadihi hattaa takhruja min tahti adhfaarih.

"Whoever does wudu and does it well, his small sins leave his body, even from under his nails."

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Lesson 3 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. How long did Ayoub’s wudu take at first?

- ◯ thirty seconds
- ◯ ten minutes

2. What did Ayoub forget to wash?

- ◯ his elbows
- ◯ his hands

3. What do you do first in wudu?

- ◯ wash the feet
- ◯ the niyya and Bismillah

4. How many times do you wipe over your head?

- ◯ once
- ◯ three times

5. What do you do last?

- ◯ wash the feet
- ◯ rinse the mouth

6. How does Ayoub feel after a calm wudu?

- ◯ calmer
- ◯ angrier

☆ **Remember this:** Wudu: hands, mouth, nose, face, arms, head, ears, feet.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Write the steps of wudu in the right order.

2. Why is wasting water not good, even during wudu?

Puzzles

Lesson 3 · Wudu step by step

🔤 Word search

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

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☐ GRANDPA ☐ HANDS ☐ MOUTH ☐ WUDU ☐ NOSE ☐ FACE ☐ ARMS ☐ HEAD ☐ EARS ☐ FEET

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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

