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Khadija

Lesson 7 · the first Muslim

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

Part 1 – A businesswoman

Khadija bint Khuwaylid was a rich and clever businesswoman in Mecca. She sent caravans to Sham. She was looking for an honest man to lead her trade. She chose the young Muhammad, because he was called al-Amin, the trustworthy. He brought back more profit than ever. Her servant Maysara told her how honest and good he was. Khadija asked him to marry her. They married.

☆ **Khadija chose Muhammad for his honesty.**

businesswoman = woman who trades · **ask to marry** = propose marriage

Part 2 – At home, after the cave

When Muhammad received the first revelation in the cave of Hira, he came home trembling. “Cover me,” he said. Khadija put a blanket over him and listened. Then she said: “Allah will never disgrace you. You take care of your family, you help the weak, you welcome guests and you stand on the side of truth.” She was the first to believe in him. She gave her wealth to help the Muslims.

☆ **Khadija was the first to believe.**

revelation = message from Allah · **disgrace** = make small and ashamed

Part 3 – Support

Douae talks about Khadija in her presentation on strong women. “She was a businesswoman, she was the first Muslim, and she stood by her husband when he was afraid.” A classmate asks: “Did the Prophet really love her that much?” Douae nods. “Years after her death he still sent gifts to her friends. He called the year of her death the year of sorrow.”

☆ **A good friend supports you when you are afraid.**

support = help and stand by someone · **sorrow** = great painful feeling

💬 **Let’s talk:** Who supports you when you are afraid or sad? How can you support someone?

💡 **Did you know? – Khadija**

- Khadija and the Prophet were married for 25 years. As long as she lived, he married no one else.
- They had six children, among them Fatima.
- Jibril once brought Khadija the greeting of Allah.

📖 **Hadith**

Al-Bukhari and Muslim

خَيْرُ نِسَائِهَا مَرْيَمُ ابْنَةُ عِمْرَانَ وَخَيْرُ نِسَائِهَا خَدِيجَةُ

Khayru nisaa'ihaa Maryamu bnatu 'Imraan, wa khayru nisaa'ihaa Khadija.

"The best woman of her time was Maryam, the daughter of 'Imran. And the best woman of her time was Khadija."

Khadija

Lesson 7 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. What was Khadija’s work?

- ◯ teacher
- ◯ businesswoman

2. Why did she choose Muhammad?

- ◯ for his honesty
- ◯ for his money

3. What did the Prophet say when he came home?

- ◯ give me food
- ◯ cover me

4. Who believed first?

- ◯ Abu Bakr
- ◯ Khadija

5. What was the year of her death called?

- ◯ the year of sorrow
- ◯ the year of the elephant

6. How long were they married?

- ◯ 5 years
- ◯ 25 years

☆ **Remember this:** Khadija: the first Muslim and a loyal support.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. How did Khadija support the Prophet?

2. Who is a strong woman for you? Why?

Puzzles

Lesson 7 · Khadija

🔤 Word search

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

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☐ KHADIJA ☐ CARAVAN ☐ SUPPORT ☐ BLANKET ☐ FATIMA ☐ MECCA ☐ TRADE

☐ DOUAE ☐ FAITH ☐ HIRA

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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

