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Abu Bakr

Lesson 8 · the loyal friend

📖 The story: Abu Bakr

Read together, part by part.

Part 1 – Yes at once

Abu Bakr had long been Muhammad's best friend. When Muhammad told him that he was a prophet, Abu Bakr said at once: "I believe you." Later the Prophet told of his night journey to Jerusalem. People laughed: "In one night? Impossible." They ran to Abu Bakr. "If he says it, it is true," he said. That is why he got the nickname as-Siddiq: the one who confirms the truth.

☆ Abu Bakr was called as-Siddiq: the one who confirms the truth.

nickname = extra name · **confirm** = say that something is right

Part 2 – In the cave

Abu Bakr freed slaves who were tortured because they were Muslim, among them Bilal. When the Prophet had to flee to Medina, Abu Bakr went with him. They hid for three days in the cave of Thawr. The enemies were standing right at the entrance. Abu Bakr whispered: "If one of them looks at his feet, he will see us." The Prophet said: "Do not be sad. Allah is with us."

☆ La tahzan, inna llaha ma'ana: do not be sad, Allah is with us.

torture = cause someone a lot of pain · **sad** = unhappy

Part 3 – A real friend

Rania moves to another city. Her best friend Hajar calls her every week. When Rania feels alone at her new school, Hajar sends a message: "La tahzan. You'll find new friends. I'll stay your friend." Rania thinks of Abu Bakr. A real friend stays, even when it gets hard.

☆ A real friend stays, even when it is hard.

move = go to live in another house · **loyal** = not letting someone down

💬 **Let's talk:** What makes someone a real friend? Are you that kind of friend?

💡 Did you know? – Abu Bakr

- After the death of the Prophet, Abu Bakr became the first caliph, the leader of the Muslims.
- He had the Quran gathered into one collection for the first time.
- He is buried next to the Prophet in Medina.

📖 **From the Quran**

Quran 9:40

لَا تَحْزَنْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ مَعَنَا

Laa tahzan, inna llaaha ma’anaa.

“Do not be sad, Allah is with us.”

Abu Bakr

Lesson 8 · questions and writing

✔ Questions

Tick the correct answer.

1. What did Abu Bakr say when Muhammad became a prophet?

- ◯ I doubt it
- ◯ I believe you

2. What does as-Siddiq mean?

- ◯ the one who confirms the truth
- ◯ the rich one

3. Whom did he free?

- ◯ Bilal
- ◯ Hamza

4. In which cave did they hide?

- ◯ Hira
- ◯ Thawr

5. What does Hajar send to Rania?

- ◯ a parcel
- ◯ a message

6. What did Abu Bakr later become?

- ◯ the first caliph
- ◯ a king

☆ **Remember this:** Abu Bakr: loyal, honest and brave.

✍ Think and write

Answer in a few sentences.

1. Why was Abu Bakr called as-Siddiq?

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2. What makes someone a loyal friend?

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Puzzles

Lesson 8 · Abu Bakr

🔤 Word search

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

A	E	I	S	B	F	R	I	E	N	D
D	R	R	A	B	A	K	R	L	D	I
B	A	I	R	E	N	C	R	A	R	C
H	N	H	B	H	L	J	A	D	I	C
A	I	S	I	D	D	I	Q	U	L	A
J	A	S	L	B	I	L	C	K	L	L
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S	T	H	A	W	R	R	R	K	C	L
L	A	L	B	L	I	Q	U	E	N	D

☐ SIDDIQ ☐ FRIEND ☐ CALIPH ☐ THAWR ☐ BILAL ☐ RANIA ☐ HAJAR ☐ BAKR ☐ CAVE ☐ ABU

🔍 Spot the 7 differences

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

