



## Islam: What does it mean to be a Muslim?

### Muslims and Mosques

#### Essential Prior knowledge

##### Children will know:

- About some other religions and their festivals (Diwali, Eid, Ramadan)
- That not everyone has the same beliefs and that there are different religions who follow different rules and have different stories.
- That Christians believe in one God and that he sent Jesus to earth for them.
- That Christians have the Bible as their holy book.
- That Christians can pray in a church.

**Year: 2**  
**Term: Spring 1**

#### Key knowledge for the unit

#### Enquiry Outcomes

Children will know:

- **That Muslims believe in one God, Allah. Muslims are people who follow the faith called Islam.**
- **Allah is the Arabic name for God the Creator. Allah has 99 beautiful names that reflect aspects of his character**
- That Prophet Muhammad is a special or holy leader for Muslim people.
- Reflect on values, behaviour and kindness to animals
- Muslims use prayer beads (subha) which have 99 beads to represent the names of Allah. Identify some beliefs about Allah: such as creator, judge, merciful, forgiver.
- *Muslims do not believe in having images of any of their religious figures it is the worst sin to Muslims to depict religious figures.*

##### Mosque visit:

- That a Mosque is a sacred place for Muslims
- **There are more than 100 mosques in the west midlands, and over 2200 in the UK.**
- Features of a mosque: Minaret and the Dome, prayer mat, The Minbar
- Think about a Mosque as a special, clean place of prayer for Muslims.
- Significance of a prayer mat, water and a Qur'an stand for Muslim prayer (a clean place, a clean body, facing Makkah, using the ancient words of Islamic prayer).

##### The Qur'an

- The Qur'an was revealed to the prophet Muhammad.
- The Qur'an guides Muslims in their daily life: example: Worship none but Allah; treat with kindness your parents and kindred, and orphans and those in need; speak fairly to the people; be steadfast in prayer; and practice regular charity. (Qur'an 40.83)
- **Words of the Shahadah**
  - Words of the shahadah, 'God is most great. There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is his prophet' are very important to Muslims. These words are whispered to new babies, and shouted from minarets at prayer times

##### Broad and Balanced RE:

MS: Making Sense of belief  
UI: Understanding the impact  
MC: Making connections

**KQ1** What does it mean to be a Muslim?  
What is a prophet?

**KQ2** What is a Mosque?  
Do Muslim believers have a special place?

**KQ3:** What can we learn from a story about a mosque? What mosques are close to our school?

**KQ4:** How do Muslims use the Qur'an?

**KQ5:** What words matter so much that they are whispered and shouted?

**KQ6:** What matters to Muslims? What matters to me?

#### Key Vocabulary

Islam mosque wudu Qur'an Religion in general: special Holy sacred prayer worship

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