





Big Q – What is it like to be a Muslim? Beginning to learn Islam. Muslims and Mosques.

Key vocabulary	Explanation/ definition	Key Knowledge
Islam	The religion of Muslims.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The words of the Qur'an are regarded as a direct transmission from God to the Prophet Muhammad. More than 1400 yrs ago the Prophet Muhammad taught all Muslim people how to follow God. He is so special that when they say his name they say "Peace be upon him" and when they write his name they put the letters "PBUH" after his name. Muslims make no pictorial representations of the Prophet. All Muslims are required to pray from the age of 12, prayers are said at specific times of the day. Prayers can be carried out anywhere that is clean. A prayer mat is often used to pray on (but this is not essential.) Muslims make Wudhu before they pray and face Makkah. The Qur'an is kept on a high shelf above any other books and sometimes wrapped in a cloth to keep it safe and show respect. When being used it is often placed on a Qur'an stand so that it doesn't touch the floor
Prophet Muhammad	The final Prophet.	
Allah	Arabic name for God.	
Qur'an	Islamic sacred text.	
The Shahadah	The declaration of faith – "There is no God but the One God and Muhammad is the Messenger of God."	
Salah (Prayer)	Ritual prayers offered 5 times daily.	
Id-ul-Fitr	Celebrates the end of the feast of Ramadan.	
Mosque	Muslim place of worship.	
Imam	Leader of prayers in the Mosque	
Allah	Arabic name for God	
Sacred	Something that is special in a religious sense.	
Minaret	A tower on the mosque where Muslims are called to prayer.	
Makkah	Islam's holiest city – the birthplace of the Prophet Muhammad.	   
Wudhu	Ritual washing of hands, faces, arms and feet in preparation of prayer and worship.	

Key skills

PREVIOUSLY... Children will have learned about a Muslim festival like Eid through role play. They will have explored reasons why people take part in celebrations and what feelings they may have. They may have planned an Eid party.

By the end of this unit, pupils are expected to be able to:

- Say that a special place for Muslims is the mosque.
- Talk about the Prophet and why he matters to Muslims.
- Identify a Muslim holy book or special day.
- Choose a special word for themselves.
- Talk about what matters to them.