

Y3/4/5/6-Knowledge Organiser - RE. Keeping 5 Pillars: What difference does it make?

Key Facts

- The five pillars of Islam are essential to Muslim life, providing a structure for Islamic daily spiritual life.
- Muslims must not only believe in the 5 pillars but also act on their belief.
- 1st Pillar – Shahadah, their declaration of faith in only one God. “There is no God except Allah, Muhammad is the prophet of Allah.”
- The words “peace be upon him” or “pbuh” is said or written after every mention of Muhammad or any of the Islamic prophets out of respect and reverence.
- 2nd Pillar – Prayer.
- 3rd Pillar – Zakah, the ways in which Muslims help and care for the worldwide Muslim community.
- 4th Pillar – Fasting, this helps Muslims appreciate how poor people suffer. It helps to build discipline into the life of a Muslim.
- 5th Pillar – Pilgrimage to Makkah, “Hajj”

Key Vocabulary

Shahadah = a belief in one God

Salah = prayer, five times a day

Sawm = fasting for the month of Ramadan.

Hajj = pilgrimage

Zakah = the giving of alms

The Five Pillars of Islam

These are the five most important duties for Muslims.

