



Knowledge Organiser



Year 3 – Spring Term

Islam

Key Knowledge

What should we know by the end of this topic?

- Muhammad was born in Mecca (Arabia) about 1450 years ago
- At this time, most people there believed in many Gods / Goddesses (polytheism)
- Christians and Jews living nearby believed in one God (monotheism)



Shahadah

‘There is no God but God and Muhammad is the Prophet of God.’

God the Creator



Muslims, Christians and Jews all share the beliefs that God is...

- Loving and forgiving
- All-powerful
- A spiritual being with no fixed shape

Salah - Prayer

Most Muslims follow a call to pray five times a day, facing the direction of Mecca and wash in preparation.



Key Skills

How can we develop as a theologian?

- Explore how Ramadan is celebrated: visiting Mosques, reading the Qur'an, giving up bad habits, fasting (Sawm), giving money to charity
- Identify ways Eid is celebrated: families gather together, share in gifts, eat a special meal to end fasting
- Consider why this is a good time to give money to the poor (Zakah/ Zakat)

Recognise signs of only one God in the natural world e.g. the changing from night to day.

Find these signs in the Qur'an.

Reflect on how many Gods could pose problems.

Reflect on the important Muslim prayer - The Opening.

Compare with the Christian Lord's Prayer.

Muslims might pray to give thanks and to ask for guidance.

Debate key questions: Should Muslims be able to pray when at work and school?

Key Vocabulary

How can I use these words in my lessons?

Vocabulary	Definition
Muhammad	Important prophet Founder of Islam
Mecca	Holiest city in the Islamic faith. Birthplace of Muhammad
Monotheism	The belief in only one God
Polytheism	The belief in multiple / many Gods
Shahadah	The first pillar of Islam
Benevolent	Loving and forgiving God
Omnipotent	All-powerful God
Ayat	Signs of only one God in the natural world
Qur'an	Muslim holy scripture
Wudu	Washing ritual in preparation for prayer
Salah / Salat	Praying 5 times a day



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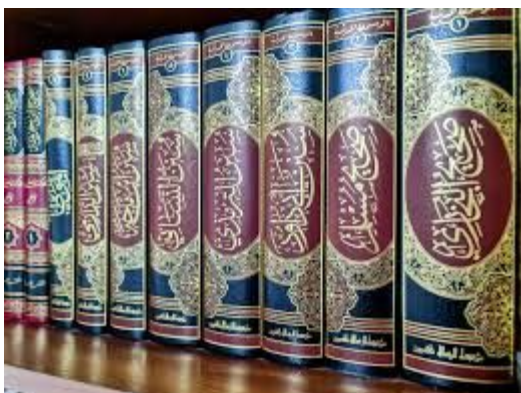
Key Knowledge

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- Muslims believe the first prophet was Adam, the first created human being

Islam is believed to be the oldest religion on earth.

- The Qur'an names 25 prophets who all taught the same message
- Muhammad is known as the 'Seal of the Prophets'
- Muslims believe no more prophets will be sent or chosen
- Muhammad is seen to be an 'excellent model'
- The Hadith is a record of Muhammad's words and actions
- Muhammad was also given wisdom (al-Hikmah) so that he could understand the Qur'an



Hadith

Key Skills

How can we develop as a theologian?

Debate...

If God doesn't do bad things, why do people and animals suffer?

Are there two Gods - a Muslim God called Allah and a Christian God called God?

Study Key Islamic Stories:

The story of Abu Bakr setting the slave Bilal free.

Muslims do not create images or worship statues of their God or their prophets.

Compare this with a Christian or Hindu perspective.

Key Vocabulary

How can I use these words in my lessons?

Vocabulary	Definition
Seal of the Prophets	Muhammad - the final prophet
Hadith	Record of Muhammad's words and actions The second most trusted source of God's guidance
al-Hikmah	Wisdom given to Muhammad to help him to understand the Qur'an
Sawm	Fasting
Ramadan	A special time in the Muslim calendar when Muslims fast
Eid	A celebration of the end of Ramadan
Zakah / Zakat	Giving money to charity / the poor