

Religious Education – World Religion – Islam

Our Key Question: What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?

Our previous learning in Year 2 about Islam included the following questions:

Does praying at regular intervals help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?

Does going to a mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?

Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?

Could you answer these questions?

Share your answers here...

Let's remind ourselves of the key vocabulary we have learnt previously – some words are missing for you to add:

Key Vocabulary for Islam	
Islam	Islam is the second most popular religion in the world.
	A follower of the religion of Islam.
	The Arabic name that Muslims use for God.
Five Pillars of Islam	The five things that Muslims are expected to do.
Prophets	Special messengers sent from Allah.
Muhammad	The last prophet and the key prophet in Islam.
Mecca (or Makkah)	Mecca is an important place to Muslims. It is where Muhammad was born. Muslims face Mecca to pray and try to visit it once during their lives.
	The name Muslims give to the special pilgrimage to Mecca.
The Qur'an	The holy book of Islam.
	Muslim place of worship.
Pilgrimage	A journey to a special place of religious meaning.

Symbols and Key Beliefs

There is no official symbol of Islam, but the star and crescent symbol is the symbol most commonly associated with the Islam religion.



Muslims believe that there is only one God called Allah. They believe Allah is the only ruler of the universe.

The word 'Islam' means submission and obedience to Allah.

Muhammad is so highly respected by Muslims that they will say 'peace be upon him' after his name is spoken.



The Qur'an is the name for the Muslim holy book. Muslims believe that it is a record of the exact words that Allah said.

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The Muslim place of worship is called a mosque. Services are held in mosques every day. The most important service for Muslims is on a Friday.

Mosques often have a domed roof. There are no images of people or animals in mosques. They are decorated with patterns and words from the Qur'an instead.

Muslims take off their shoes before going into the mosque and wash before they pray. Muslims pray kneeling on the floor on a prayer mat. The wall of the mosque which faces Mecca is called the qibla wall. It has an empty arch to show the direction of Mecca.



Can you remember why Mecca is such an important place to Muslims?

