

# Miracles and Extraordinary Events

The Quran is a divine book and is a complete guide for mankind. It narrates several miraculous and strange events that took place during the lifetime of various prophets. These incidents simply affirm our faith in Allah's Oneness and His divine creation.

## 1 Manna and Salwa

Allah bestowed on certain people many blessings but they remained ungrateful and many times transgressed the limits set by Allah. Allah once sent them food from heaven which was called Manna and Salwa. Who were these people?

- The people of 'Ad
- The people of Lut
- The Children of Israel

## 2 Miraculous Baby

The angel Jibril came to Maryam and gave her good tidings of a son. Maryam wondered how she could have a son when she was not married. The angel said it was easy for Allah. Later, she bore a child who became a great prophet. Who was the prophet born to Maryam?

- The Prophet Isa
- The Prophet Musa
- The Prophet Dawud

## 3 The Sea Parted



When Allah commanded the the Prophet Musa to leave Egypt with his followers, the ruler of Egypt went after them to capture them. The Red Sea came in the way of the Prophet Musa and his people, but Allah commanded the Prophet Musa to strike the ground with his staff and the waters parted then Musa and his people crossed over. However, when the ruler and his men went into the sea, they were drowned. The dead body of the ruler is still preserved in a museum and the Quran mentions that it has been preserved for all eternity as a Sign to mankind. Who was the ruler of Egypt at that time?

- Nimrod
- Firawn
- Shaddad

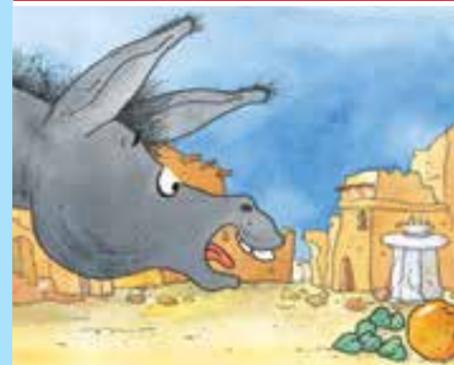
## 4 Supernatural Creature

The Prophet Sulaiman was a great prophet. He was also a king who had the largest empire. His army consisted of men, birds and a supernatural creature. Such a creature brought the throne of the Queen of Saba to the Prophet Sulaiman from her kingdom when she was invited to speak with the Prophet Sulaiman. Who was that creature?

- Hoopoe bird
- Ifrit, a jinn
- Neither of the above



## 5 Prophet and His Donkey



There was a prophet who was once travelling with his donkey. When passing by a ruined town, he exclaimed, "How will Allah restore it to life after destruction?" Thereupon Allah caused him and his donkey to die. He was brought back to life 100 year later. This incident affirmed his faith in Allah. Who was the prophet?

- Salih
- Ayyub
- Uzayr

## 6 Great Sacrifice

One day a prophet had a dream in which Allah ordered him to sacrifice his son. The prophet talked to his son, who was also a prophet, about the dream. The son happily agreed to the sacrifice as he knew Allah never did any harm to good people. As the Prophet started to make the sacrifice, the Angel Jibril came with a ram which was sacrificed instead and the prophet's son was saved. Who were the prophets?

- Ibrahim and Ismail
- Yaqub and Yusuf
- Zakariyya and Yahya

## 7 Sleepers in the Cave

Some followers of the Prophet Isa ran away from the town and took refuge in a dark cave to evade the persecution of their cruel king. Allah made them sleep for 300 years. When they woke up, the cruel king had died and there was a new king, who was a believer. Who were they?

- Ashab al-Ayka
- Ashab al-Hijr
- Ashab al-Kahf

## 8 Night Journey

The Prophet Muhammad had the extraordinary experience of a Night Journey and Ascension when he went from Makkah to Jerusalem and then to Heaven and came back again. What is this night journey called?

- Isra
- Umrah
- Hijrah



## 9 The Prophet Swallowed



There was a prophet who preached to the people of Nineveh but they laughed at him and did not follow him. The prophet, becoming impatient, left the city and ran to the seashore, where he boarded a ship. Then there was a storm at sea which the other passengers thought was due to the presence of a bad person on the ship. They drew lots and then threw the prophet into the sea. The prophet was swallowed by a big fish. He felt sorry for having left Nineveh and prayed to Allah to rescue him. Who was that prophet?

- Yunus
- Yusuf
- Ismail

# Animals and Birds Mentioned in the Quran

The Quran tells the stories of prophets, kings and nations. In these stories, groups of animals, birds and insects are also mentioned. These creatures are associated with the stories of certain prophets, important people and places, and are therefore important to know.



## 1 Faith in the Hereafter

A prophet was travelling with his donkey, when a doubt about resurrection surfaced in his mind. At that very moment, Allah caused him and his donkey to die. He was brought back to life 100 years later. This incident strengthened the prophet's faith in the hereafter. Name the prophet?

- Uzayr عليه السلام
- Yahya عليه السلام
- Dawud عليه السلام

## 2 The Tiny Creature

Name the creature taught by Allah to make homes in the mountains, in the trees, and in the structures which men build, as mentioned in the Quran?

- Crow
- Bees
- Spider

## 3 Sulaiman's Judgment

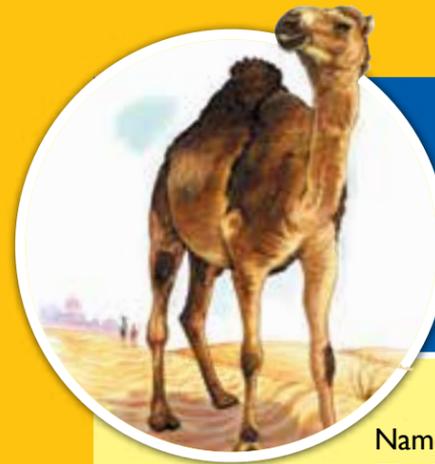
Two men approached the Prophet Dawud عليه السلام to judge between them. The first man's vineyard had been grazed on by the other man's animals. The young Sulaiman عليه السلام then suggested that the owner of the animals take the vineyard and restore the vines returned to their former state. At the same time the vineyard owner would take charge of the other man's animals and benefit from their produce. What were the animals that had grazed in the vineyard?

- Sheep
- Cows
- Camels

## 4 The Giant Creature

A prophet preached to his people but they did not listen to him. He became very sad. He left the people in their state of disbelief and ran to the seashore where he boarded a ship to escape from this place. By a strange turn of events, the prophet was thrown overboard and was swallowed by a big fish. Who was the prophet?

- Nuh عليه السلام
- Yunus عليه السلام
- Shuaib عليه السلام



## 5 The Creature Sent as a Test

Allah had sent a creature as a test to the people of Thamud at the time of the Prophet Salih عليه السلام. Despite being warned, the cruel people slew it and thus they were subjected to severe punishment by Allah. Which creature was that?

- Goat
- She-camel
- Neither of the above

## 6 The Missing Bird

Name the bird which went missing from the kingdom of the Prophet Sulaiman. The bird came and informed the Prophet of a city called Saba where there was a Queen who worshipped the Sun. Which bird was this?

- Crow
- Hoopoe
- Neither of the above

## 7 Forbidden to Eat

Allah has forbidden dead animals, and blood, and the flesh of swine, and that which is slaughtered as a sacrifice for others than Allah (or has been slaughtered for idols, etc., on which Allah's Name has not been mentioned while slaughtering). Name the surah where it is mentioned.

- Al-An'am
- Al-Baqarah
- Al-Ma'idah

## 8 The Army of Abraha

Which animals accompanied the army of Abraha, the king of Yemen, who wanted to destroy the Kabah?

- Elephants
- Camels
- Neither of the above



## 9 Miracle of a Prophet

Firawn said to a prophet, "I will imprison you if you worship any deity other than me." The Prophet asked, "Even if I show you a clear sign?" Firawn said, "Show it then, if you are telling the truth." As soon as the Prophet threw down his staff it suddenly took on the form of a serpent. Who was the prophet?

- Yunus عليه السلام
- Musa عليه السلام
- Isa عليه السلام

## 10 A Dog stayed at the Entrance

To escape the prosecution by the king of the time a group of few people hid themselves inside a cave and fell asleep. Allah made them sleep for around 300 years and woke them up when the country was ruled by a just and a believing king. At the entrance of the cave there stayed a dog. Who were these people?

- Ashab al-Kahf
- Ashab al-Fil
- Ashab al-Ayka



# Things from Nature

**A**llah is the Creator of the universe and everything in it. The Quran says that it is Allah who originates creation and repeats it. Allah has made the sun, the moon and the numerous stars which move through the universe in their fixed orbits. Allah has also made trees, plants, mountains, rivers and oceans and has spread them across the earth making the earth a beautiful place to live in. Allah has made day and night which merge into each other. Allah says He makes the night overlap the day and the day overlap the night. Indeed, this universe is full of the wonderful creations of Allah.



## 1 Rain

Allah says in the Quran: "And it is He who sends down rain from above for the growth of every kind of food for your sustenance." Rain has a significant role in making the rivers flow, filling lakes and keeping plants alive. Rain is important for sustaining life on the earth. Incessant rain is also the cause of floods. Who among the following were destroyed by a flood because they did not obey their prophet?

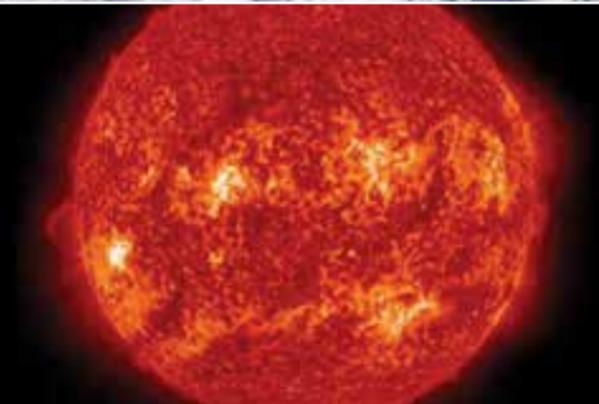
- The People of the Prophet Lut عليه السلام
- The people of the Prophet Nuh عليه السلام
- The people of the Prophet Shuaib عليه السلام



## 2 The Mountains

Allah has set mountains on the earth standing firm and immovable. Allah says He has made mountains as pegs on the earth making the earth immovable so that we can live on it. Name the prophet with whom mountains and the birds used to glorify Allah, as mentioned in the surah Saba, verse 10.

- The Prophet Dawud عليه السلام
- The Prophet Sulaiman عليه السلام
- The Prophet Yunus عليه السلام



## 3 The Sun

Allah mentions the sun in the Quran as a shining glory as well as a glorious lamp. The Quran says Allah has subjected the sun and the moon to diligently pursuing their courses which have been set by Him. The Quran says: Among His signs are the night and the day, and the sun and the moon. How is the Sun described in the Quran?

- Siraj
- Munir
- None of them

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## Oceans

Oceans are mentioned in the Quran in different *ayahs*. The Quran says the ships sail through the ocean by the grace of Allah and this is a sign of Allah. At the resurrection oceans will boil over and burst forth. What is resurrection known as in Arabic?

- Yawm al-Qiyamah
- Yawm ad-Din
- Both of the above



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## Stars

The Quran says Allah has made the stars as signposts to guide those who travel by night by land and sea and go to faraway places for trade and other purposes. In Sahih al-Bukhari it is mentioned that the creation of star is for three purposes, i.e., as decoration of the nearest heaven, as missiles to hit the devils and as signs to guide the travellers. Which prophet saw in his dream the stars and the sun and the moon prostrating themselves before him?

- The Prophet Musa عليه السلام
- The Prophet Isa عليه السلام
- The Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام



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## Lightning

Lightning is a phenomenon which happens when rains occur. Allah says: And among His signs, He shows you the lightning, by way of both fear and hope. Which people was destroyed by Allah by lightning?

- Ashab al-Ayka
- The people of Thamud
- Ashab al-Fil



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## The Moon

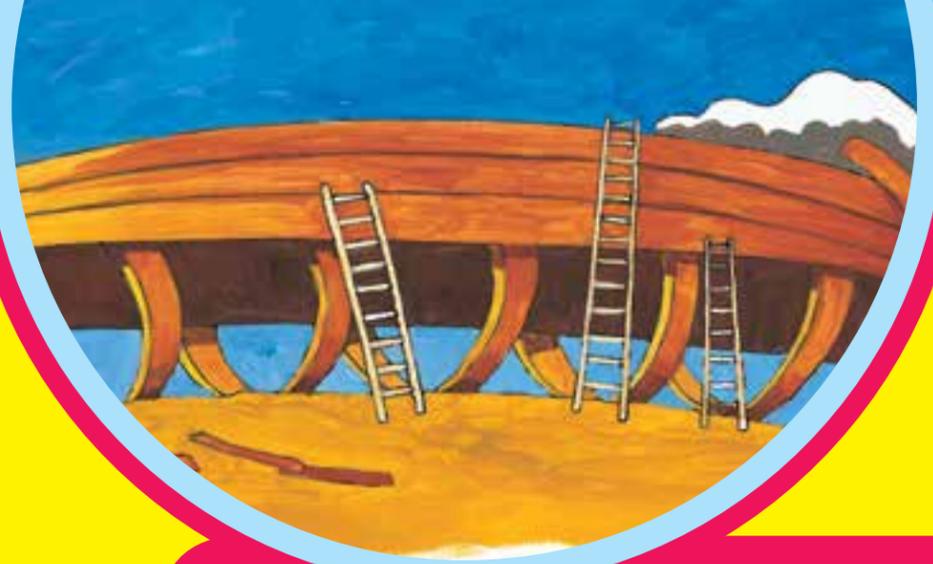
Allah speaks of the moon in the Quran and tells us that it is He who has created the moon which reflects light and follows a course fixed by Him. Which of the following words in the Quran describes the moon as reflecting light?

- Munir
- Dhiya
- Siraj



# The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام

The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام was one of the earliest prophets sent to this world. The people of his time worshipped idols and committed sins. The Prophet tried to counsel them but they did not mend their ways. At last, Allah sent a great flood which washed away all the wicked people.



## Teaching Allah's Message

There was a prophet who preached to his people for close to one thousand years, but his people did not follow him and threatened that if he did not stop preaching, they would stone him to death. Who was this prophet?

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- The Prophet Yaqub عليه السلام
- The Prophet Yusuf عليه السلام
- The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام

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## A Disobedient Son

A prophet prayed to Allah to save his son from being drowned in a great flood. Allah told the prophet that the person was not one of his family members, as his conduct was against the prophet's teachings. Who was the Prophet?

- The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام
- The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام
- Neither of the above

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## The Prophet Nuh's Preaching

How many years did the Prophet Nuh عليه السلام preach?

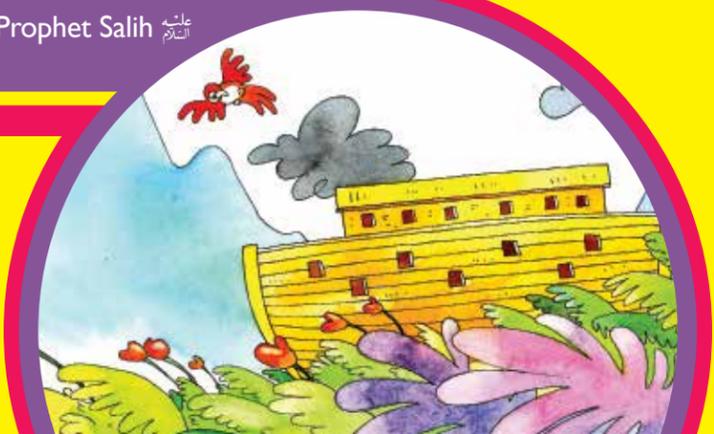
- 900 Years
- 950 Years
- 1000 Years

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## A Huge Ark

Name the prophet who was commanded by Allah to build a huge ark and take on board his followers and one pair each of all the creatures. Then came a great flood in which all the wicked people were drowned.

- The Prophet Hud عليه السلام
- The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام
- The Prophet Salih عليه السلام



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## The Wicked Son

What was the name of the Prophet Nuh's son who was drowned in a great flood?

- Kan'an
- Hamam
- Qarun

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## The Prophet's Prayer

Name the prophet who after having preached for a long time prayed to Allah, "O my Lord, leave not of the unbelievers, a single soul on earth."

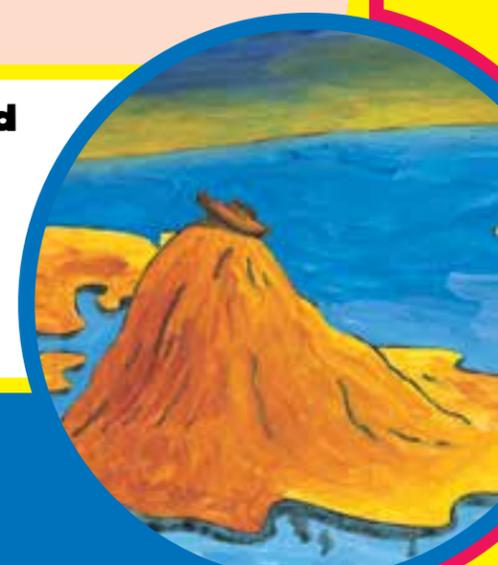
- The prophet Isa عليه السلام
- The Prophet Musa عليه السلام
- The Prophet Nuh عليه السلام

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## The Mount Where the Ark Rested

When all the wicked people died in the great flood, Allah ordered the sky to hold back the rain. The clouds began to part and the rain stopped. Then mountain peaks began to reappear and the ark loaded with all creatures came to rest on a mount. Which mount was this?

- Mount Judi
- Mount Sinai
- Mount Arafah



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## Mount Judi's Location

Where is Mount Judi located today?

- Iraq
- Turkey
- Saudi Arabia

# The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام

The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام is a prophet of Allah who has been mentioned in the Quran as **Khalilullah**, which means **Friend of Allah**. He had two sons, Ismail عليه السلام and Ishaq عليه السلام, who were both prophets in Islam. The Prophet Isa عليه السلام, the Prophet Musa عليه السلام and the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ are descended from the children of the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام. He made the first house of worship, which is now Islam's most revered place.



## 2 The Evil King

One day all the people of the Prophet Ibrahim's village went to the market. When they returned they found their idols broken. They immediately understood that this had been done by the Prophet Ibrahim. The king decided to throw the prophet Ibrahim into a huge fire. Who was the king at that time?

- Nimrod
- Firawn
- Shaddad

## 3 The Prophet Ibrahim's Father

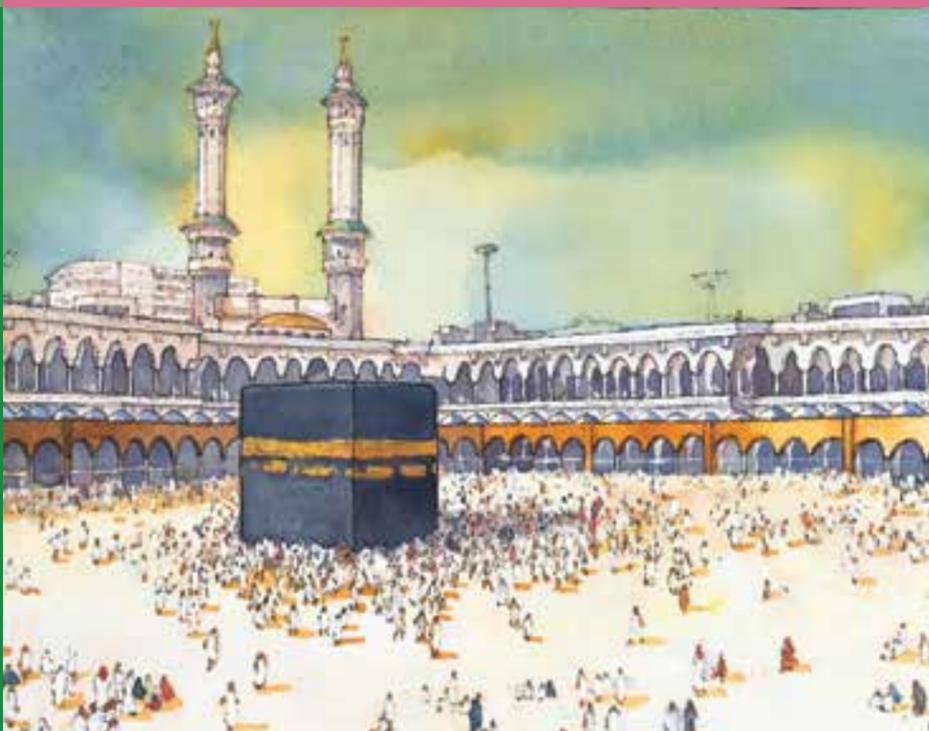
Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام did not pray to idols as he believed in the One and Only Allah. But his father worshiped idols. What was his father's name?

- Azar
- Imran
- Luqman

## 1 The Greatest Sacrifice

One night the Prophet Ibrahim had a dream in which Allah asked him to sacrifice the thing he loved the most. The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام sacrificed his son. However, Allah saved his son and a ram was sacrificed instead. Allah became happy with the action of the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام. This is also called the greatest sacrifice. Name that son of the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام?

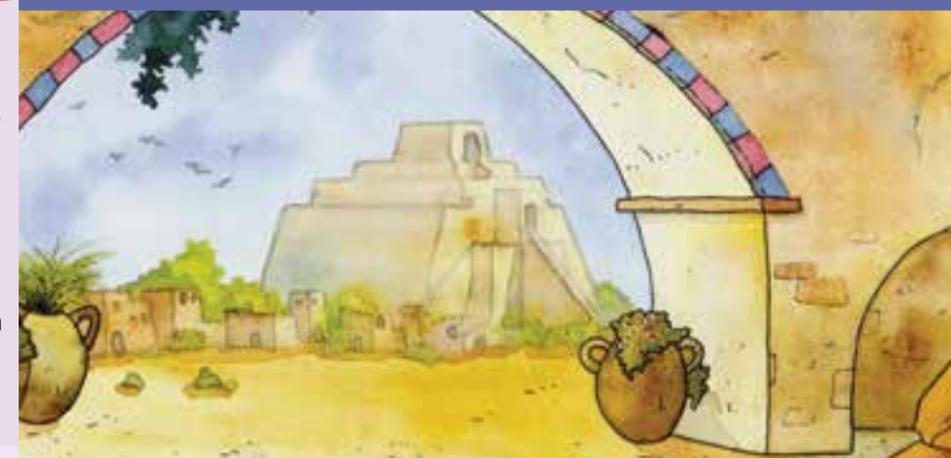
- Prophet Ismail عليه السلام
- Prophet Ishaq عليه السلام
- Neither of the above



## 4 The Prophets Lut عليه السلام and Ibrahim عليه السلام

What was the relationship between the Prophet Lut عليه السلام and the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام?

- The Prophet Lut عليه السلام was his brother
- The Prophet Lut عليه السلام was his son
- The Prophet Lut عليه السلام was his nephew



## 5 The Spring

The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام had a dream that he should go to the valley of Makkah along with his wife and little son Ismail عليه السلام. They started travelling to Makkah. When they reached the valley, the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام returned but his wife and son stayed there. In the desert, there was no water. Soon, the baby felt thirsty, so his mother ran to the nearby hills for water. But she could find no water in the barren valley. Then, there was a miracle. A spring gushed out of the child's feet. What is the name of this spring?

- Zamzam
- Safah
- Neither of the above

## 7 Honoured Guests

One day two men came to the village where Prophet Ibrahim lived. They stopped at the Prophet's house and said: "Peace! Peace." The Prophet thought they were strangers, so he rushed inside the house. He brought food for them but they did not eat. Who were these strange guests?

- Angels
- Jinns
- Neither of the above

## 9 The House of Worship

One day Allah ordered the Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام to build a house of worship. The Prophet Ibrahim and his son, Ismail عليه السلام, climbed the hills and brought down big stones. They made a simple and beautiful house. This building became the most revered place of worship for the Muslims. What is this?

- The Kabah
- Bayt al-Maqdis
- Neither of the above

## 6 The Birth Place

The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام was born in the country of Iraq. Name the city where he was born.

- Ur
- Baghdad
- Najaf

## 8 Revered Position

Allah gave a prophet a revered position. He was called *khalilullah*. Who was the prophet?

- Ismail عليه السلام
- Ibrahim عليه السلام
- Neither of the above

## 10 The Divine Book of Ibrahim

What word does the Quran use for the Sacred Book revealed to the Prophet Ibrahim?

- Tawrat
- Zabur
- Sahifa



## 11. The First Caliph

At the age of 63, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ fell ill and passed away soon thereafter. He was buried in the quarter of his wife Ayesha ؓ in Madinah. Who was chosen by the people as the first Caliph in Islam?

- Uthman ibn Affan ؓ
- Umar Farooq ؓ
- Abu Bakr ؓ

## 12. The Change of Qiblah

The Qiblah is the direction a Muslim faces when offering prayers. This is actually the direction of the Kabah. The Kabah was made the Qiblah just one year after the Prophet Muhammad's migration to Madinah. The same year fasting was enjoined upon the Muslims. Which was the first Qiblah?

- Masjid al-Nabawi
- Masjid al-Quba
- Bayt al-Maqdis

## 13. A Cruel Master

Bilal ؓ was the first Muezzin in Islam. Before embracing Islam, he had been a slave of a Makkan chief. When Bilal embraced Islam, his master used to inflict severe punishment upon him. Abu Bakr ؓ bought Bilal from his master and freed him. In the Battle of Badr Bilal killed his former master. Who was he?

- Umayyah ibn Khalaf
- Abu Jahl
- Abu Lahab



## 14. The First Battle

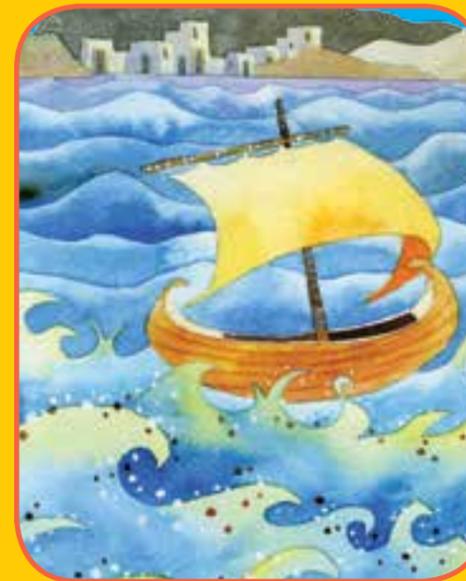
In 624 A.D., during the month of Ramadan, a large army of Makkans, led by Abu Jahl, came all the way from Makkah to attack the Muslims. An outnumbered Muslim group defeated them near Madinah. This was also called the first battle between the Muslims and Makkans. Where did this battle take place?

- Badr
- Madinah
- Uhud

## 15. The Peace Treaty

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ wanted to establish the Muslims' right to perform Hajj and Umrah. Therefore, in the 6th Hijri he led a group of Muslims from Madinah to Makkah. On the way, they were stopped by a Makkan army commander. Both the parties signed a peace agreement which would be valid for the next 10 years. The agreement, at first sight, seemed unjust to some of the Muslims. However, the agreement ultimately resulted in a 'Clear Victory' for the Muslims. What agreement was this?

- The Peace Treaty of Hudaibiyyah
- The Pact of Fudul
- The Pact of Makkah



## 16. The King of Rome

In the seventh Hijri, the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ addressed letters to the kings of Persia, Yemen, Ethiopia, Egypt and others urging them to embrace Islam. Negus, the King of Ethiopia embraced Islam. Name the Roman Emperor who was greatly influenced by the Prophet Muhammad's teachings but could not embrace Islam due to his love of the throne and crown and the opposition from courtiers.

- Hurmuz
- Heracles Caesar
- Hauza bin Ali

## 17. The Memorable Year

Name the year when the Makkans surrendered to the Muslim without a fight. The Prophet ﷺ forgave all the Makkan opponents. All the idols were taken away from the Kabah and people in large number embraced Islam.

- 630 A.D.
- 631 A.D.
- 632 A.D.

## 18. The Second Battle

The Makkans could not bear the defeat they suffered at the hands of the Muslims in the battle of Badr. Some of the chiefs in Makkah vowed not to rest until they had taken revenge. The next year again a battle took place in which the Muslims were defeated. Some of the Companions, including the Prophet's uncle Hamza ؓ, were martyred. The Prophet himself was wounded and lost one of his teeth. Which battle was this?

- Tabuk
- Trench
- Uhud

## 20. The Prophet's Migration

After twelve years of the prophethood, the Makkans hatched a dangerous plan to kill the Prophet in his sleep. Due to divine help, the Prophet knew of this plot and escaped at night. He left Makkah and went to a city nearby. This migration is also called the Hijrah and is the starting point of the Islamic calendar. Which city did the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ migrate to?

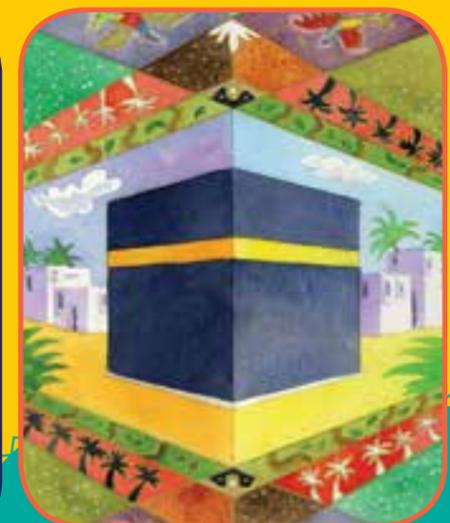
- Madinah
- Ta'if
- San'a



## 19. The Mount

In the 10th Hijri the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ went on the Hajj pilgrimage, which is known as the Farewell Hajj. He stood on a mountain to deliver his sermon when the very last verse of the Quran was revealed. Which mountain was this?

- Arafah
- Tur
- Sinai



# The Present World and the Hereafter

The Quran teaches us that the present world is not our permanent abode and there will be another life which will begin after the death. Belief in life Hereafter is one of the articles of faith.



## 1 Sport and Diversion

Allah says in the Quran: "The life of this world is nothing but sport and a diversion. It is the life of the Hereafter which is the only true life, if they but knew it." What is the Hereafter?

- Life after death
- Life after the Day of Judgement
- It means both

## 2 The End or the Beginning?

Allah describing Himself in the Quran as: "The One who created death and life, so that He may test you as to which of you is better in his deeds." So death in this present world is.....

- The end of our life
- The beginning of our real life
- Neither of the above

## 3 Akhirah

After spending our limited life in this present world, we will be raised to live a permanent life in the Next World, or Akhirah. Akhirah has two eternal abodes for mankind: one is Jannah and the other is Jahannam. The virtuous, the faithful and the doers of good acts will go to .....

- Jannah
- Jahannam
- Neither of the above

## 4 Allah's Throne

On the Day of Judgement, how many angels will bear Allah's throne above them?

- 8
- 9
- 6

## 5 Iblis' Temptation

The Prophet Adam disobeyed Allah by giving in to Iblis' temptation. However, Allah forgave him and put him on the earth, saying, "Go down, all of you, from here: then when guidance comes to you from Me, anyone who follows My guidance will have no fear, nor will they grieve—those who deny and reject Our signs shall be the inhabitants of the Fire; therein shall they abide forever." According to the Quran, the present world is a place of .....for us.

- Test
- Leisure
- Neither of the above

## 6 The Descent from Heaven

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ once said that a prophet would come down from Heaven before the end of the world. Who is that prophet going to be?

- The Prophet Ibrahim عليه السلام
- The Prophet Musa عليه السلام
- The Prophet Isa عليه السلام

## 7 A Single Big Blast

Allah says in the Quran: "When a single blast is blown on the trumpet, and the earth and the mountains are lifted up and then crushed with a single blow, on that Day the Great Event will come to pass. And the sky will be rent asunder, for on that Day it will be so frail. Who will blow the trumpet at the Allah's command?"

- The Angel Jibril
- The Angel Israfil
- The Angel Mikail

## 8 Signs Before End

The Prophet Muhammad ﷺ has foretold many signs that will appear before the end of this world. Among the signs is the appearance of a creature which will be killed by the Prophet Isa عليه السلام. What creature is this?

- Dajjal
- Yajuj
- Majuj

## 9 Record of Deeds

Allah says in the Quran, "On that Day you will be brought to judgement and neither of your secrets will remain hidden." Allah will give each person's record into his hands. Those whose records are given in the right hand will go to...

- Jannah
- Jahannam
- Neither of the above



# Prayers from the Quran

**T**he Quran is a book of guidance. It tells us to worship Allah and do good works so that He may be pleased with us. Apart from that the Quran is full of exciting stories, adventures, teachings and prayers, which show Allah's love for us and explain what He requires from us as believers and as His sincere servants. Here is a selection of prayers from the Quran, addressing some key aspects.

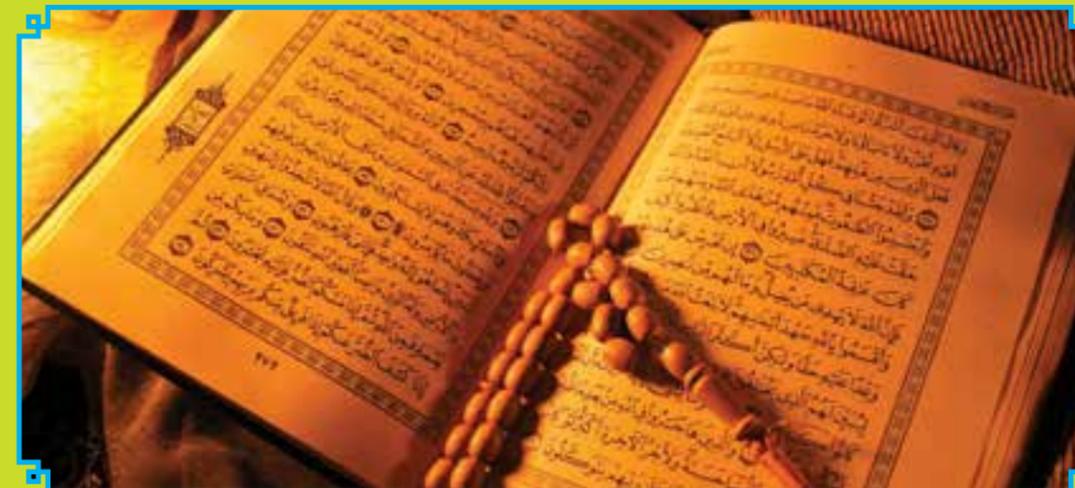
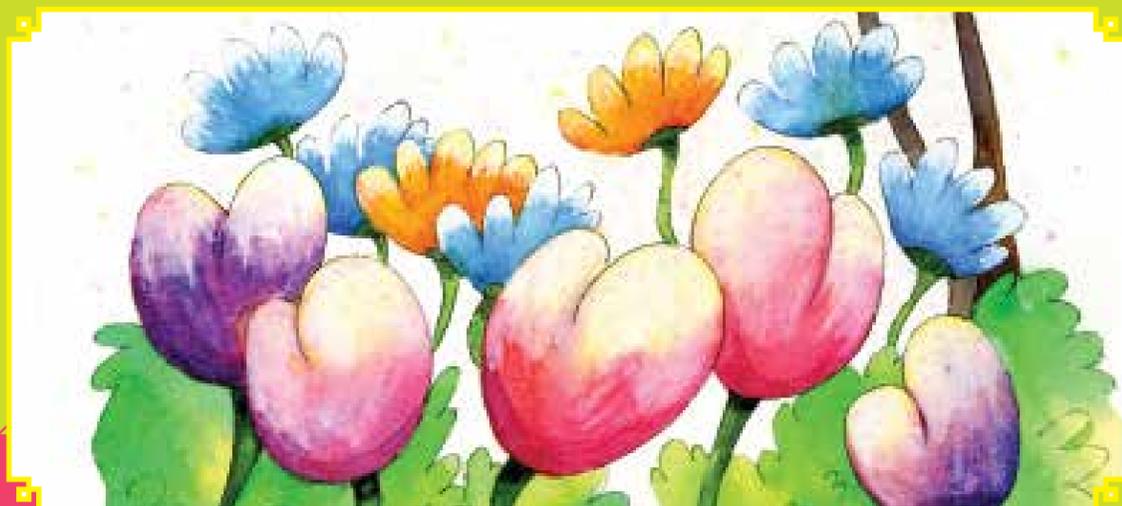
Our Lord ! we have wronged our souls: if You do not forgive us and have mercy on us, we shall be among the lost. (Al-Araf, 7: 23)

Say my Lord, let me land with Your blessing in a blessed landing place. You alone can provide the best landings. (Al-Mu'minun, 23:29)

Say, my Lord, I seek refuge with You from the prompting of the satans. I seek refuge with You, Lord, lest they should come near me. (Al-Mu'minun, 23:97-98)

Our Lord, guard us from the punishment of Hell, for its punishment is most painful to suffer. Indeed, it is an evil abode and evil dwelling-place. (Al-Furqan, 25:65-66)

Our Lord, do not take us to task if we forget or make a mistake! Our Lord, do not place on us a burden like the one You placed on those before us! Our Lord, do not place on us a burden we have not the strength to bear! Pardon us; and forgive us; and have mercy on us. You are our Lord and Sustainer, so help us against those who deny the truth. (Al-Baqarah, 2:286)



“Our Lord, we believe in You, forgive us our sins and keep us from the punishment of the Fire,” those who are steadfast, truthful, obedient, and those who spend [for God's cause] and who pray before dawn for forgiveness. (Al 'Imran, 3:16-17)

Our Lord, accept this from us; for You are All-Hearing, All-Knowing. Lord, make us bow to You; make of our children and grandchildren a nation that will submit to You. Teach us our rites of worship and turn to us with mercy; You are the Forgiving One and the Merciful. (Al-Baqarah, 2:127-128)

My Lord, bestow wisdom upon me; unite me with the righteous; give me a good name among later generations; and make me one of those who will have a right to enter the Garden of Bliss. (Al-Shu'ara', 26:83-85)

He said, I complain of my anguish and my sorrow only to Allah. Allah has made known to me things that you do not know. (Yusuf, 12:86)

Remember Ayyub when he called on his Lord saying, 'I have been made to suffer great distress: but You are the most merciful of the merciful.' We heard his prayer and relieved his suffering, We restored to him his family, doubling their number as an act of Our grace, and as a reminder for the worshippers. (Al-Anbiya', 21:83-84)