



1. Who are the Muslims in your region?

- Many Muslims came to Britain in the 1950s' in search for work.
- Many moved to Birmingham, Bradford and Manchester. Today, these cities still have a large Muslim population as they have become well-established communities.



2. What helps Muslims through the journey of life?

- Muslims live by the 5 Pillars of Islam.
- Profession of Faith (shahada), Prayer (salat), Alms (zakat), Fasting (sawm) and Pilgrimage (hajj).



3. Why do Muslims want to go on a pilgrimage?

- At least once in their life, Muslims go on a pilgrimage to the Kaaba (the sacred house of Allah) in Mecca.
- Mecca is the place where the Islamic religion started. It is where the Prophet Muhammad was born and received the first revelations from Allah



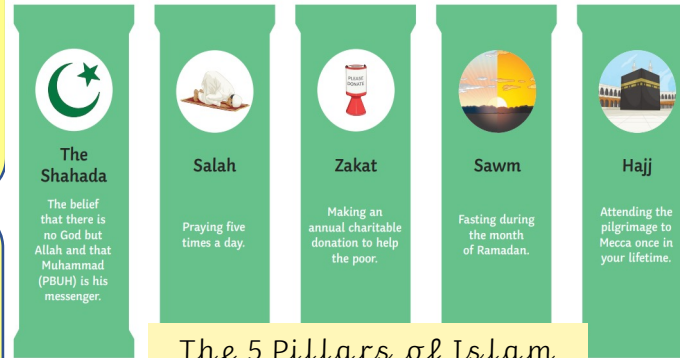
4. Where do Muslims get their guidance for living?

- Muslims believe the Prophet Muhammad was visited by the Angel Gabriel (or Jibril) in the desert near. The angel gave him messages from God that formed the Qur'an.
- The book teaches Muslims how to live good lives and follow God.



5. Why is Zakah/charity important to Muslims? How is charity important to you?

- Zakat is the third pillar of Islam and is all about looking after others.
- Every year, Muslims give some of their savings to charity. They say when someone helps another they become cleansed from selfishness and greed.



The 5 Pillars of Islam



Muslims on their Pilgrimage at the Kaabah, Mecca.



The Qu'ran.

Key Vocabulary

Holy Qu'ran	The central religious text of Islam, believed by Muslims to be a revelation from God
Prophet	Prophets in Islam are individuals in Islam who are believed to spread God's message on Earth and to serve as models of ideal human behaviour
Mosques	A mosque is a place of prayer for Muslims
Submission	To "Surrender" to the Will of God
Obedience	This obedience means to follow Allah's commandments.
Generosity	Generosity is the act of selflessness.