



Year 10 Half Term 2 - What do Muslims believe?

The unit will look at the major beliefs of Islam, looking at both Sunni and Shi'a beliefs.

1. Islam	The second biggest religion in the world. Islam started around 600CE and sees itself as the continuation of Judaism and Christianity.	14. Five Roots (Usul ad-din)	Instead of the six articles, Shi'a follow the five roots. These are tawhid, prophets (Nubuwwah), God's justice (adalat), Judgement day, and to follow God's chosen leaders (imamate).
2. Muslim	A follower of Islam.	15. Nubuwwah	The term for belief in prophets that is used by Shi'a Muslims.
3. Sunni	The biggest denomination of Islam. They believe in the six articles of faith. They followed from Abu Bakr.	16. Imamate	The belief that Ali and his descendants were chosen leaders by God. Some Muslims follow the teachings of twelve of these leaders (twelvers)
4. Shi'a	A smaller denomination of Islam. They follow the five roots.	17. Adalat	The Arabic term for belief in God's justice.
5. Abu Bakr	Muhammad's father in law who was the first leader of Islam after Muhammad died.	18. Ibrahim	A prophet in Islam. He built the Ka'aba and rejected idol worship.
6. Ali	Muhammad's cousin. Shi'as believe that Ali should have been the first leader, and consider him and his descendants as the rightful leaders.	19. Isa	The Arabic term for Jesus. He is believed to be an important prophet (however not the son of God as described in Christianity) he is remembered for spreading the word of God and performing miracles.
7. Muhammad	The last prophet according to Islam. He was given the message of the Qur'an to deliver to the people, and is the founder of Islam.	20. Adam	The first prophet. He is the first human being made by Allah, and names the animals of the Earth.
8. Tawhid	The belief that God is one. The oneness of God is a central and important teaching in Islam.	21. Qur'an	The Islamic holy book. Written by people close to Muhammad, it contains messages from God.
9. Malaikah	The belief in angels.	22. Injil	The holy book that Isa (Jesus) spread with teachings about God.
10. Kutub	The belief in holy books.	23. Tawrat	The Arabic for Torah, it is believed this holy book was given to Moses (Musa) for the Jewish people.
11. Risalah	The belief in prophets.	24. Mika'il	An angel who brings rewards to the righteous, and brings rain to the Earth. Also known as Michael
12. Akhirah	The belief in the afterlife and day of judgement.	25. Jibril	The angel who brought the Qur'an to Muhammad and announced the birth of Jesus. Also known as Gabriel.
13. Al Qadr	The belief in predestination. All things are known by God, including the future.	26. Recording angels	Two angels, one that records your good deeds, and one that records the bad. These are presented on the day of judgement.



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