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**In Islam, there are six articles of faith. This means there are six important parts of the Islamic faith that all Muslims believe in.**

**Hadrat Umar bin al-Khattāb (Allah be pleased with him) narrated that The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said,**

***“The requirements of Faith are that thou should believe in Allah and in His Angels and in His Books and in the His Prophets and in the Last Day, i.e. the Day of Requital, and that thou should also believe in Allah’s determination of good and in His determination of evil.”*** (Muslim)

**This Hadith mentions the six articles of faith.**

**In this book we will learn about each of the six articles of faith in detail.**

# First article of faith: To believe in the oneness of Allah

## What does the word Allah mean?

Allah refers to The One God and is a personal name used in Islam for God. No other being is called Allah other than the One God.

## Belief in One God (Allah)

The most important thing in Islam is belief in One God- Allah. Allah is One and Almighty and He alone is worthy of worship.

Allah is perfect in all His attributes and powers. He has knowledge of everything.

In *Surah Al-Fatihah*, the first chapter of the Holy Quran, four attributes of Allah are mentioned. These are:

*Rabbul 'Alameen*

◇ Lord of All the worlds

*Ar-Rahmaan*

◇ The Gracious

*Ar-Raheem*

◇ The Merciful

*Maalik-i-yaumiddeen*

◇ Master of the Day of Judgement

Match the attributes of Allah to their meaning

Rabbul 'Aalameen

Ar-Rahmaan

Ar-Raheem

Maalik-i-Yaum-id-Deen

Master of the Day  
of Judgement

The Gracious

Lord of All the  
worlds

The Merciful

# Second article of faith: To believe in the Angels of Allah

Allah created spiritual beings called Angels. They worship Allah and follow His commands and maintain the running of the whole universe according to Allah's instructions.

Angels are completely obedient to the command of Allah and cannot go against it. There are many angels and each one has been given a task by Allah.

Allah sends Angels to help His prophets and followers. He uses them as a way to communicate with His prophets and righteous servants. Usually, we cannot see angels with our human eyes but sometimes they appear as humans, as happened in the life of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).



# Names of some Angels of Allah

<b>Jibra'eel</b> <b>(Gabriel)</b>	He is also known as the archangel. He is the angel who brings Allah's message to His Prophets. He was the angel sent by Allah to the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).
<b>Mika'eel</b> <b>(Michael)</b>	He is the angel in charge of all things that are essential to support the life of Allah's creation. These include food and water.
<b>Izra'eel</b> <b>(Israel)</b>	He is the angel who oversees death.
<b>Israfeel</b> <b>(Raphael)</b>	He is the angel who will blow the trumpet on the day of Judgement

Can you unscramble the four names of the angels?

I R E Z E A L

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L E J R A B E

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K M A E L I E

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R A E F L I S E

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# Third article of faith: To believe in the Books of Allah

Throughout the history of mankind, Allah has sent messages and guidance through His Prophets. This way Allah gave us commands and laws to follow in our daily lives. Some of this guidance has been recorded and is known as the Book of Allah.

## Books of Allah

- **The Torah** was given to Prophet Musa (peace be upon him)
- **The Psalms or Zaboor** was given to Prophet Dawood (peace be upon him)
- **The Gospel or Injeel** was given to Prophet Isa (peace be upon him)
- **The Holy Qur'an** was given to The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). It is the perfect book revealed by Allah.

# The Holy Qur'an

The Holy Qur'an is a book of guidance for all of mankind.

Allah says in the Holy Qur'an:

“This is a perfect Book; there is no doubt in it; *it is* a guidance for the righteous,”

[Surah Al-Baqarah 2:3]

As Allah has said, the Holy Qur'an is the most perfect and complete book.

It was revealed to the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and it took 23 years for the complete revelation of the Holy Qur'an.

The Holy Qur'an was revealed in Arabic and to this day has been preserved in its original form as Allah promised in the Holy Qur'an itself:

“Verily, We Ourselves have sent down this Exhortation, and most surely We will be its Guardian.”

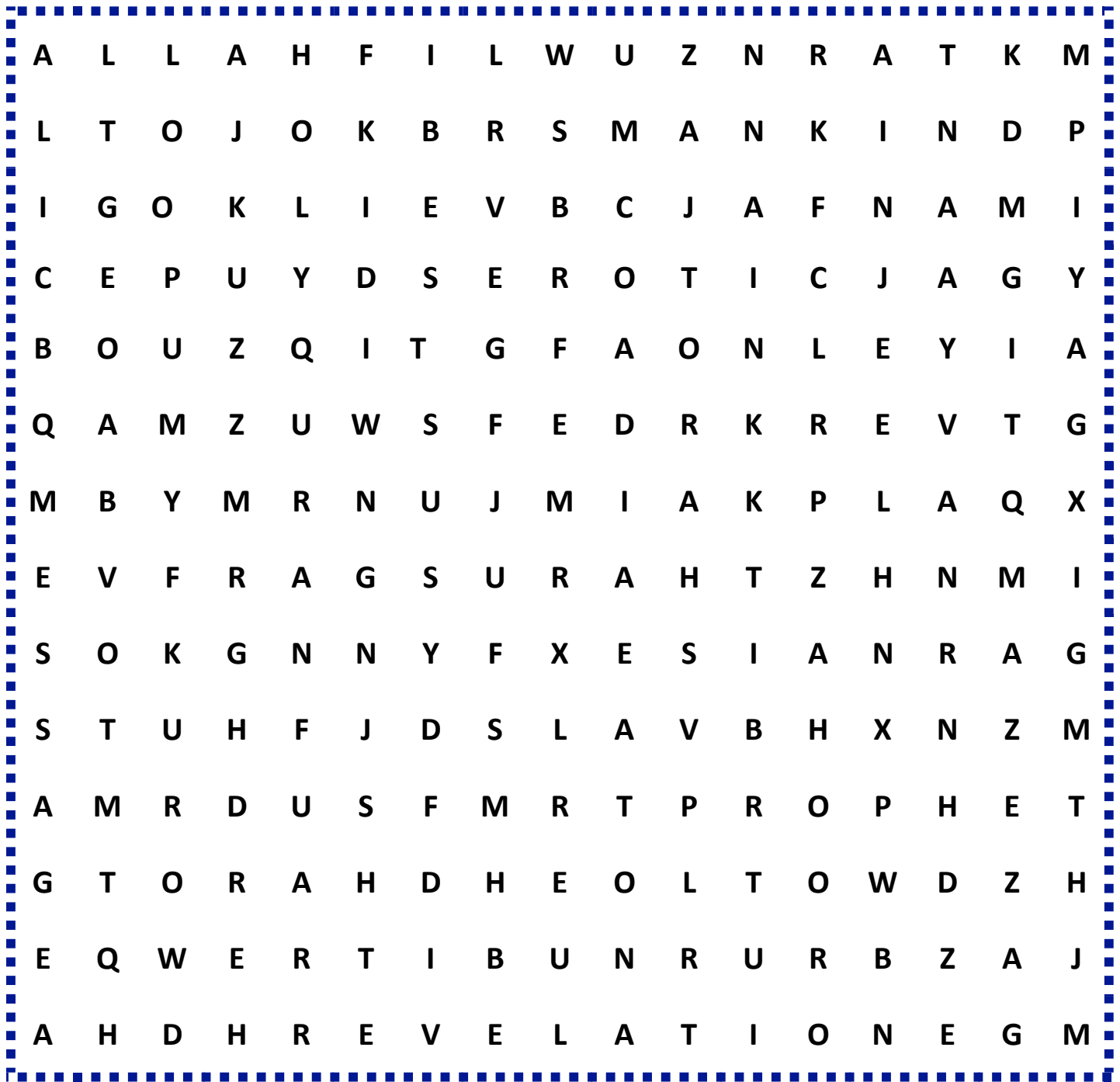
[Surah Al-Hijr 15:10]

This is the only book of Allah that is still in its original form. All the other books revealed have changed over time and some have not been preserved in their original language.

The Holy Qur'an contains laws and commandments, codes for social and moral behaviour and religious guidance. Those who follow the Holy Qur'an lead the most successful lives as they are living according to Allah's command. We should regularly read the Holy Qur'an and ponder over its meaning so that we can also live a life that Allah has commanded.

The Holy Qur'an has 114 chapters and 30 parts.

# Word Search



HOLY QURAN

ALLAH

INJEEL

ZAHOOR

SURAH

TORAH

MANKIND

BOOK

MESSAGE

COMMANDMENT

REVELATION

PROPHET

# Fourth article of faith: To believe in the Prophets of Allah

The purpose of our creation is to worship Allah. Since the beginning of time Allah has communicated with His creation to guide them to the right path and gain His love.

For this reason, Allah has sent prophets who convey His message and guidance to people.

Prophets are human beings and are chosen because they have the highest moral and spiritual conduct and possess excellent characters.

In Arabic there are two words used for a prophet. These are:

- ◇ **Rasool** : meaning 'One who is sent' or 'messenger'
- ◇ **Nabi** : 'One who receives and conveys divine commandments'

The first prophet sent by Allah was Prophet Adam (peace be upon him). He was not the first human being on earth. Many prophets have come after him. 124,000 prophets have been sent to convey the message of God, since the beginning of mankind. Many prophets have been mentioned in the Holy Qur'an.

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) was the chief of all the prophets. In the Holy Qur'an, Allah called The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) '*Khaataman-Nabiyeen*' which means the *Seal of the Prophets*.

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) was unique and different to the other prophets because unlike the other prophets who were sent by Allah to a smaller group of people, The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) was sent to all of mankind.

Allah gave The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) the final and perfect Book- The Holy Qur'an. And He sent His perfect religion through The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessing of Allah be upon him).

How does Allah send his message and convey guidance to mankind?

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How are prophets chosen?

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What are the two words used for prophet, in Arabic?

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# Fifth article of faith: To believe in the Day of Judgement

Everyone will die one day. What happens after we die is explained differently by different religions.

In Islam, Muslims believe that we will enter the Hereafter. That is, that we will be raised again by Allah and given a new life. That day is called the Day of Judgement. On that day, Allah will judge us and we will account for all our deeds, whether good or bad.

Allah will then decide if He will reward us for our good deeds or if we will be punished for our sins.

For this reason, we are commanded to live a righteous life.

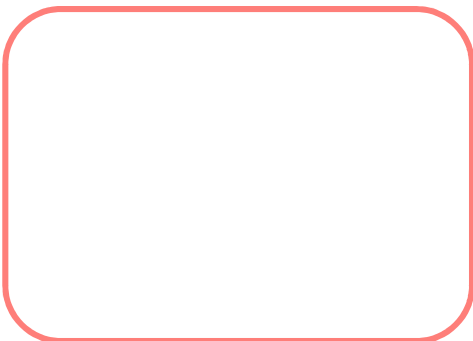
We should try our best to do good deeds and avoid bad ones. We should worship Allah and regularly ask for forgiveness as one day we will return to Allah and we will have to account for all our actions, good and bad.

## Heaven and Hell

Allah has said that Heaven is everlasting. Once you enter you will never have to leave it again.

Hell, on the other hand, is a place where you will only stay for a limited time. The punishment of Hell is not a punishment without end. It may last a long time but not forever and ever. Therefore, Hell is only there for a limited time and not everlasting.

**Can you describe some examples of good deeds**



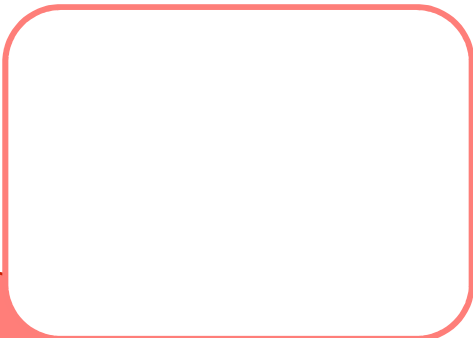
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# Sixth article of faith: To believe in the Decree of Allah

To believe in the Divine Decree means to believe in the Will of Allah.

The Divine Law are the laws of nature and of religion (Shariah).

The will of Allah or His decree is in His control over creation through the laws of spiritual and physical life. Everything follows these laws.

Everything created within the universe by Allah falls under these divine laws and Allah has complete control over these laws. In exceptional circumstances, Allah may allow a miracle to occur in which an event happens which may seem not to fall under these divine laws. Miracles often occur to support the Prophets of Allah or for His righteous followers. However, these miracles never contradict Allah's words or attributes.

Within the boundaries of His Divine Decree, Allah has given man free will. This means Allah has given us the ability to choose for ourselves between what is right and what is wrong.





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## *Activity Book*

This book, produced by Lajna Ima'illah UK, is designed for children of very young age to understand the articles of Faith. We hope that the activities in this booklet will help them to understand the basic concept.

We also hope that you will enjoy these activities with your young children.

May Almighty Allah enable us to follow the illuminating path of Islam.

