

What Prior Knowledge should students have?

- Some books are special to religious groups, e.g., Bible (Christians), Torah (Jews), Qur'an (Muslims)
- Some stories are about special people e.g. Jesus, Prophet, Muhammad (pbuh), Moses

What Skills will students learn (Disciplinary Skills)

- Explore who is Allah and how do Muslims worship him?
- Explore the rituals and positions Muslims may take when praying
- Identify what is important to Muslim families
- Explain how a person might live out a message from the Qu'ran
- Explore how accounts of Jesus differ in the Qu'ran and the Bible

What key knowledge will be taught (Substantive Knowledge)

- Know that Islam means peace
- Know that Muslims believe in one God, Allah
- Know that the Qu'ran is the special book for Muslims and is written in Arabic

Key Vocabulary
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Allah	Allah is the name Muslims use for their God.
ritual	A ritual (or a rite) is a set of actions people do. In a ritual, the actions are important because every action stands for something.
Muslim	The word 'Islam' in Arabic means submission to the will of God. Followers of Islam are called Muslims. Muslims believe there is one true God Allah (the Arabic word for God).
Qu'ran	The Qur'an is the holy book for Muslims.
prophet	In religion, a prophet is one who speaks on behalf of a god or who is divinely inspired to reveal the will of a god.
Muhammad	The prophet Muhammad was the founder of the religion of Islam. Followers of Islam, called Muslims, believe that Muhammad received messages from Allah (God).

Religious Overview - Islam

Islam is one of the world's major religions. Its founder was Muhammad. The religion has more than 1.5 billion followers worldwide. At the core of Islam is this idea: "There is no God but Allah, and Muhammad is the prophet of Allah." Muslims believe that Allah created the universe and that humans must submit to his will. The content of the Koran, the holy book of Islam, is believed by Muslims to be the word of Allah as told to Muhammad. Five duties, called the five pillars of Islam, are expected of every Muslim. The two major religious holidays in the Muslim calendar are 'Id al-Fitr and 'Id al-Adha.