

Islam

The Qur'an



What is the Qur'an ?

The Qur'an is the holy book for Muslims and is written in Arabic.

Muslims believe it is the perfect word of God.



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Muslims show respect for the Qur'an by washing their hands before touching it. When not being used, the Qur'an is often wrapped up in a special cloth and kept on a high shelf to show respect. It must never touch the floor and is placed on a special stand when being read. Many Muslims around the world learn the Qur'an off by heart.



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The Qur'an teaches Muslims how to live a good life.

Here are just a few rules which Muslims must live by:

Worship only one God

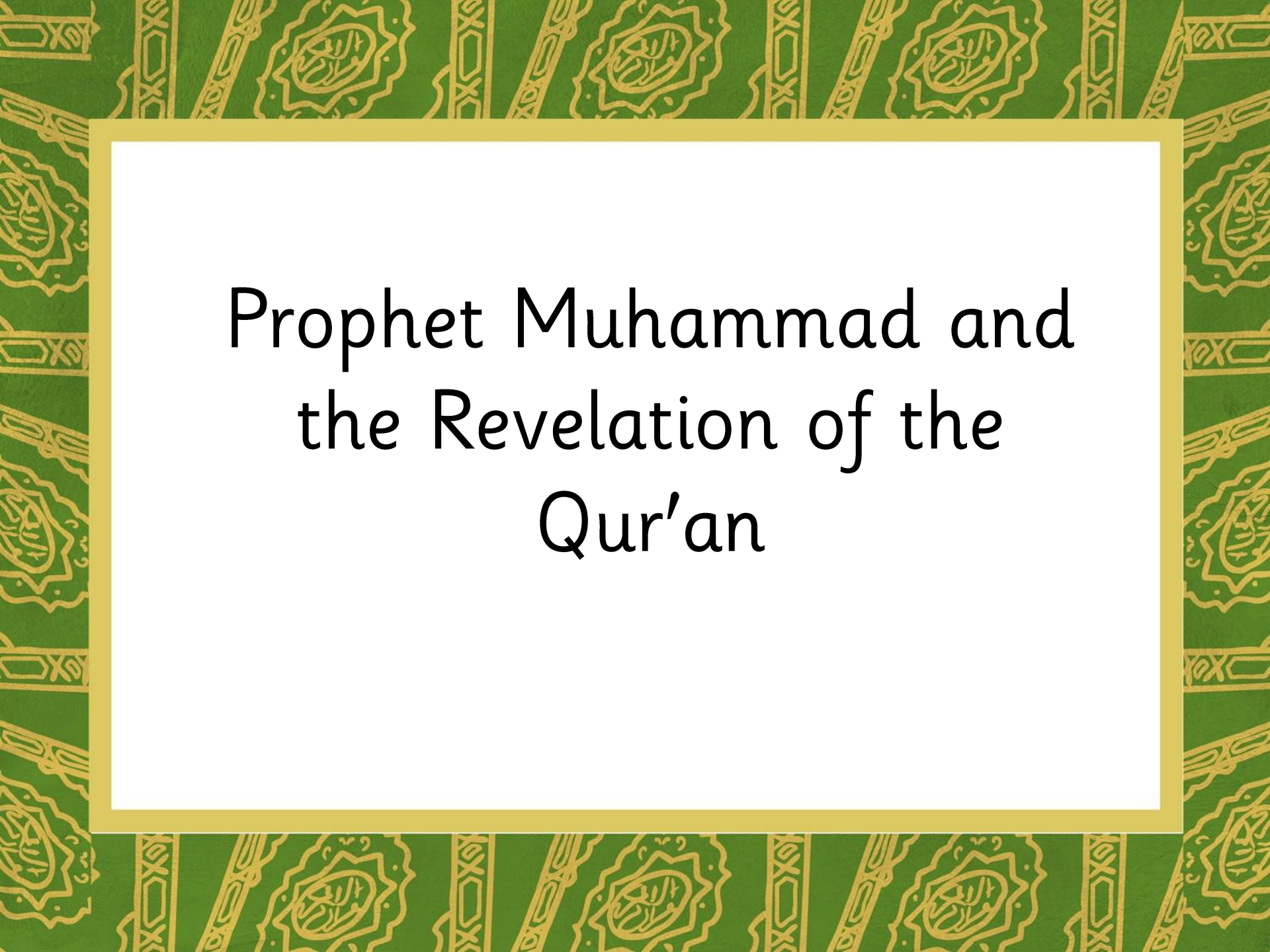
Pray 5 times a day

Give to charity

Show respect and love to others

Show forgiveness to others



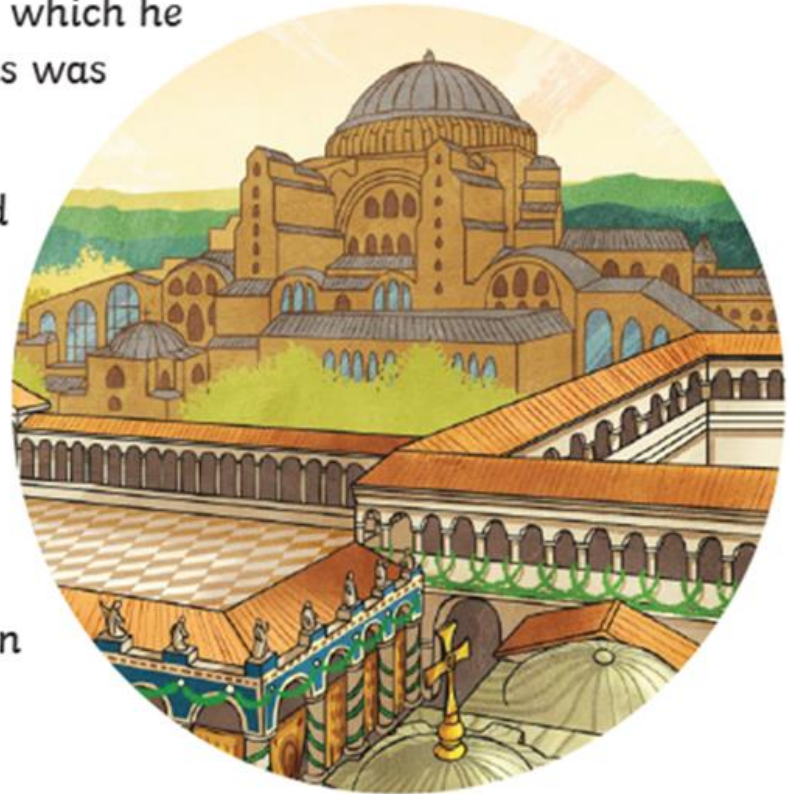


Prophet Muhammad and the Revelation of the Qur'an

Muhammad would often meditate on Mount Hira. One day, he was meditating in a cave when the Angel Gabriel appeared and spoke to him. Muhammad began to say words which he believed came straight from God. This was his first revelation from God.

Over the next 22 years, Muhammad had more revelations from God. These revelations were written down and became the Qur'an. From that time, Muhammad was known as Prophet Muhammad and he preached about the revelations for the rest of his life.

Prophet Muhammad died in 632 in Medina. He is buried there.



Shahadah means: “There is no God but God
and Muhammad is the Prophet of God.”



Arabic writing

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ



اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ
وَعَلَى آلِهِ

Muslim prayer beads



Muslim's use prayer beads to represent the names of Allah.

There are 99 beads.

Some of the names include: creator, judge, merciful
and forgiver.

Your task

Think of four words that are really important and special to you.
Tell your partner what they are.
Write the words and decorate with Arabic geometric patterns.



