

Exploring the Five Pillars of Islam

Learning objective: To identify and understand the Five Pillars of Islam and how they guide the lives of Muslims.

Max the monkey has found some jumbled-up notes about the Five Pillars of Islam! He needs your help to match the correct name of the Pillar to its meaning. Write the name of the Pillar in the blank space next to the description, then explain in your own words why that Pillar might be important to a Muslim.

Word bank: Shahadah · Salah · Zakat · Sawm · Hajj

1. The declaration of faith: Believing that there is only one God (Allah) and that Muhammad is His messenger. Pillar: _____

Why is this important? (2 marks)

2. Prayer: Performing ritual prayers five times a day facing towards Makkah. Pillar: _____

Why is this important? (2 marks)

3. Giving: Donating a portion of one's wealth to help the poor and needy. Pillar: _____

Why is this important? (2 marks)

4. Fasting: Abstaining from food and drink during daylight hours in the month of Ramadan. Pillar: _____

Why is this important? (2 marks)

5. Pilgrimage: Making a journey to the holy city of Makkah at least once in a lifetime if able. Pillar: _____

Why is this important? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a beautiful mosque, remembering to include a minaret (the tall tower) and a dome.



Extension challenge: If you had £10 to give as Zakat to help people in your local community, which charity would you choose and why?