

Learning About Islam with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To learn about the key features of a mosque and the importance of kindness and community in Islam.

Read the questions below and talk to a grown-up about your answers. Use the word bank to help you complete the sentences.

Ellie the Elephant is visiting her friend who is a Muslim. She is learning that a mosque is a special place for Muslims to gather together. Before they enter the prayer hall, they take off their shoes to keep the space clean. They wash their hands and faces, and then they stand in rows to pray. Muslims believe that helping others and showing kindness is a very important part of life. They often share food and gifts with their neighbours to show they care.

Word bank: Mosque · Kindness · Prayer · Community · Clean

1. What is the name of the special building where Muslims go to pray? (1 mark)

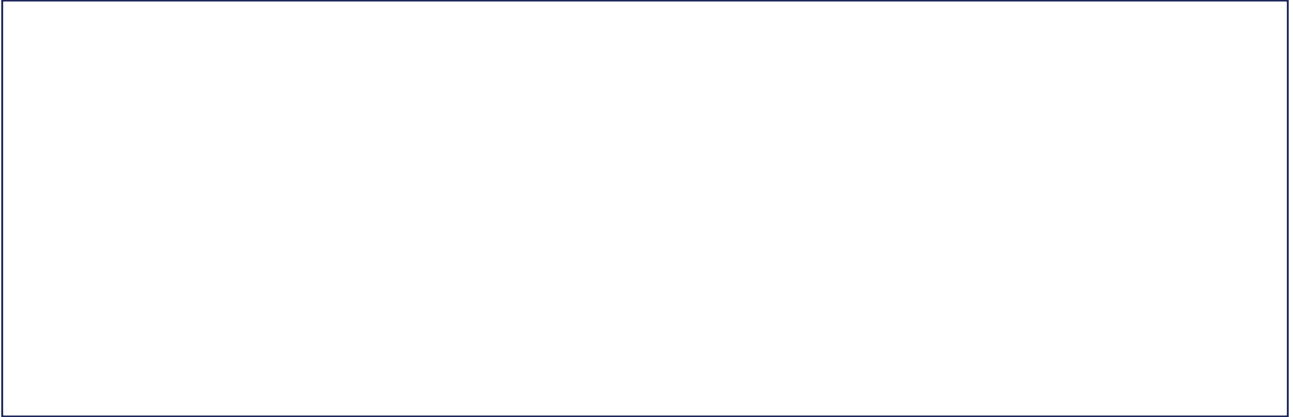
2. Why do people take their shoes off before going into the prayer hall? (2 marks)

3. How do Muslims show they care about their community? (2 marks)

4. Can you name one thing you do at home to show kindness to your friends? (1 mark)

5. Draw a circle around the word that means a group of people living and helping each other: Mosque, Community, Prayer. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Ellie the Elephant visiting a beautiful building. Draw a special pattern on the carpet inside the building.



Extension challenge: Imagine you are hosting a community party. If you have £5 to spend, what kind, healthy snacks would you buy to share with your friends?