

Exploring Islam: A Fact-File with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To identify and describe the core beliefs and practices of Islam, including the Five Pillars, in accordance with the UK Grade 4 RE curriculum.

Use your textbook or research resources to help Ellie the Elephant complete this fact-file about the Islamic faith. Write clearly and ensure you use the correct terminology.

Word bank: Allah · Qur'an · Five Pillars · Mosque · Makkah · Sawm · Zakat · Salah · Shahadah · Hajj

1. The Five Pillars: List the five core duties of a Muslim and provide a brief description of what each one involves. (5 marks)

2. The Holy Book: What is the name of the sacred text in Islam, and how do Muslims show it respect? (3 marks)

3. Places of Worship: Describe a mosque. What are some of the key features found inside or outside the building? (3 marks)

4. Community and Prayer: Explain why Salah (prayer) is performed five times a day and what it helps a Muslim remember. (2 marks)

5. Reflective Thought: Why do you think Zakat (giving to charity) is considered such an important part of the Islamic faith? (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Research a festival celebrated by Muslims, such as Eid-ul-Fitr or Eid-ul-Adha. Write a short paragraph explaining how these festivals are celebrated and what they represent.