

Exploring the Significance of Eid

Learning objective: To understand the significance of Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha for Muslims, exploring the themes of charity, community, and reflection.

Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of Islamic traditions and values to provide detailed, thoughtful answers.

Eid al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan, a month of fasting and prayer. Muslims celebrate with special prayers, gifts, and feasts. Eid al-Adha, the Festival of Sacrifice, commemorates the willingness of the prophet Ibrahim to follow Allah's command. Both festivals emphasise the importance of charity (Zakat), spending time with family, and showing kindness to those in need.

Word bank: Zakat · Sawm · Reflection · Community · Gratitude · Generosity · Ibrahim · Ramadan

1. Explain why Zakat (charity) is considered a vital part of the Eid celebrations. How does this practice strengthen a community? (3 marks)

2. Compare and contrast the focus of Eid al-Fitr with that of Eid al-Adha. What is the primary purpose of each festival? (4 marks)

3. Max the monkey is trying to calculate how much money a family might donate if they give 2.5% of their savings of £4,000. Show your working to find the total Zakat payment. (2 marks)

4. Justify why the act of reflection is significant during the period of Ramadan leading up to Eid al-Fitr. (3 marks)

5. What might happen if the community did not come together to celebrate these festivals? Discuss the impact on individual faith and social bonds. (4 marks)

Draw: Draw a scene representing 'Community and Generosity' during Eid. Include symbols of celebration such as decorative patterns (Zara's artistic style) or items representing a shared meal.



Extension challenge: Write a short poem, in the style of Leo the lion, describing the feelings of gratitude and peace that a family might experience during the Eid morning prayers.