Exploring Islam: Key Concepts and Traditions

Learning objective: To identify and define key terms, practices, and beliefs within the Islamic faith, supporting Grade 5 RE curriculum requirements.

Use these flashcards to test your knowledge of Islam. Read the question on the front, think of the answer, then flip to reveal the definition provided.

Who is Allah?

Allah is the Arabic word for 'The God', reflecting the belief in one supreme creator in Islam.

What is the Quran?

The Quran is the holy book of Islam, believed by Muslims to be the word of God as revealed to the Prophet Muhammad.

What are the Five Pillars of Islam?

These are the five core acts of worship that form the foundation of Muslim life: Shahadah, Salah, Zakat, Sawm, and Hajj.

What is a Mosque?

A Mosque is a place of worship for Muslims, often featuring a minaret and a prayer hall.

Define Salah.

Salah is the act of performing ritual prayers five times a day, facing towards the Kaaba in Mecca.

What is Zakat?

Zakat is the practice of charitable giving, where Muslims donate a portion of their wealth to help those in need.

What is Sawm?

Sawm is the act of fasting from dawn until sunset during the holy month of Ramadan.

What is Hajj?

Hajj is the pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca, which every able-bodied Muslim is expected to perform at least once in their lifetime.

Define Shahadah.

Shahadah is the declaration of faith, stating that there is no god but Allah and Muhammad is His messenger.

Who was Muhammad?

Muhammad is considered by Muslims to be the final prophet sent by God to guide humanity.

What is the Qibla?

The Qibla is the direction towards the Kaaba in Mecca, which Muslims face during their daily prayers.

What is Ramadan?

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar, observed by Muslims as a month of fasting, prayer, and reflection.