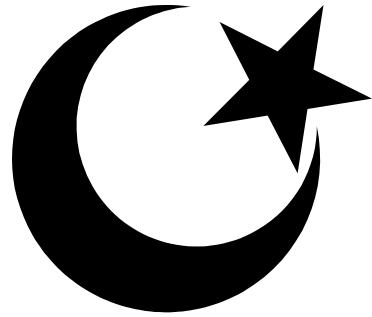


Muslim Websites



Outlines of Islam and Muslim Teaching

At

<http://www.islamicity.com/education/understandingislamandmuslims/> you will find Islam explained in a simple question and answer format. This is an easily digestible way of finding out about some of the basics of Islam. It includes the opening chapter of the Qur'an as an audio download.

The Five Pillars are explained at <http://www.islamicity.com/mosque/pillars.shtml> and you can find the local times of prayer at <http://www.islamicity.com/PrayerTimes/> There is a useful glossary at <http://www.islamicity.com/islamicglossary/> and you can see the words of the Qur'an and hear it recited at http://www.islamicity.com/mosque/arabicscript/Ayat/1/1_1.htm

The BBC has a substantial site at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/> this includes a useful set of photographs of Muslim prayer positions at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/galleries/salah/> and also of Wudu at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/galleries/wudhu/> The site also includes a short article on a Church of England School where 96% of the pupils are Muslims <http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/living/school.shtml>

There is a very useful powerpoint on Islam which can be easily downloaded from <http://www.islam101.com/presentations/islam101.ppt> You would not use all of this with a KS2 class, but could download it and use parts of it as the start of a general presentation.

See and hear a Muslim British teenager talking about his faith http://pof.reonline.org.uk/islam_video1.php You can also e-mail a believer from this site. The same site has a summary of Islam by a young Muslim woman at http://pof.reonline.org.uk/islam_1.php

<http://islam.about.com/> feels quite a complex and over busy site to negotiate as you keep going through windows in windows. However, persevere, and you will find a variety of useful materials. Of particular interest will be: materials on Ramadan and the Hajj at <http://islam.about.com/od/holidays/f/holidays.htm> Islamic clothing at <http://islam.about.com/od/dress/p/clothing.htm> If you have Realplayer you can watch a short video of a young Muslim woman from Gloucester talking about wearing hijab http://www.bbc.co.uk/videonation/articles/g/gloucestershire_muslimdress.shtml

There is an outline of the meanings of Muslim names at <http://muttaqun.com/muslimnames.html>

<http://www.rabiah.com/convert/> converts dates between the Gregorian and Islamic calendars. The Muslim calendar is explained at <http://webexhibits.org/calendars/calendar-islamic.html>

Posters about Islam for sale at <http://www.discoverislam.com/gallery.asp?page=1> but you should be able to see them and read them clearly on the interactive whiteboard

According to Islamic tradition Allah has 99 names – find them and their meanings at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/99_Names_of_God you can hear them chanted at http://wahiduddin.net/words/99_pages/app_chants.htm

The 5 Pillars of Islam

See also the general websites above e.g <http://islam.org/mosque/pillars.shtml>

Listen to the call to prayer <http://www.islam4schools.com/adhaan.htm>

<http://library.thinkquest.org/11719/vasishtfiles/islamopen.html> Id ul Fitr and Id ul- Adha, including recipes for festival dishes.

<http://www.ummah.net/hajj/> everything you could need about the Hajj, including a photo gallery <http://www.ummah.net/hajj/pics/index.html> see also <http://re-xs.ucsm.ac.uk/re/pilgrimage/> Channel 4 have a virtual Hajj, and videos of the Hajj to download at <http://www.channel4.com/culture/microsites/H/hajj/index.html> there are also CNN videos at <http://playandlearn.org/audio.asp> but the quality of the latter is not good enough for an interactive white board. There are also a variety of Hajj multimedia at www.zain.madressa.net/multimedia.htm - the video “In Mecca” is particularly helpful, although not designed for children.

Videos of Wudu and Salah at Cumbria and Lancashire Education on-line (go through KS2 RE) <http://www.cleo.net.uk/subjects.php> and while you are there look at some of the other videos as well. There is a detailed animation which will show you exactly how to pray at <http://www.jannah.com/learn/flashprayer1.html>

A detailed Ramadan site <http://www.ramadan.co.uk/> includes prayers, games for children etc

Small sized videos (*audio fine, picture not*) of prayers taking place at some of the most important mosques can be seen at http://www.islamicity.com/multimedia/cybertv/ch17/default.asp?inc=1.htm#Eid-ul_Fitr_Prayers this site also has similar videos of the Hajj <http://www.islamicity.com/multimedia/CyberTV/ch18/>

Photographs, art and calligraphy



There is a collection of materials at <http://al-islam.org/gallery/photos/images.htm> although it will probably take some time to discover all that is there! The materials do not come up as well as one could wish with an interactive whiteboard, but should still be usable. Similarly <http://www.islamicedfoundation.com/artgallery/artgallery.htm>

Pdfs of colouring books which can be printed off
<http://playandlearn.org/articles.asp?Type=Coloring&prt=none>

As usual, there is a helpful collection of photographs and line drawings of Muslim artefacts on the Strathclyde University website
<http://www.strath.ac.uk/Departments/SocialStudies/RE/Database/Graphics/Artefacts/IAfacts.html> and
<http://www.strath.ac.uk/Departments/SocialStudies/RE/Database/Graphics/Images/Islam/Islam.html> as well as at http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/vtc/ngfl/re/m_parry_carmarthenshire/artefactau/muslim.htm

Mosques

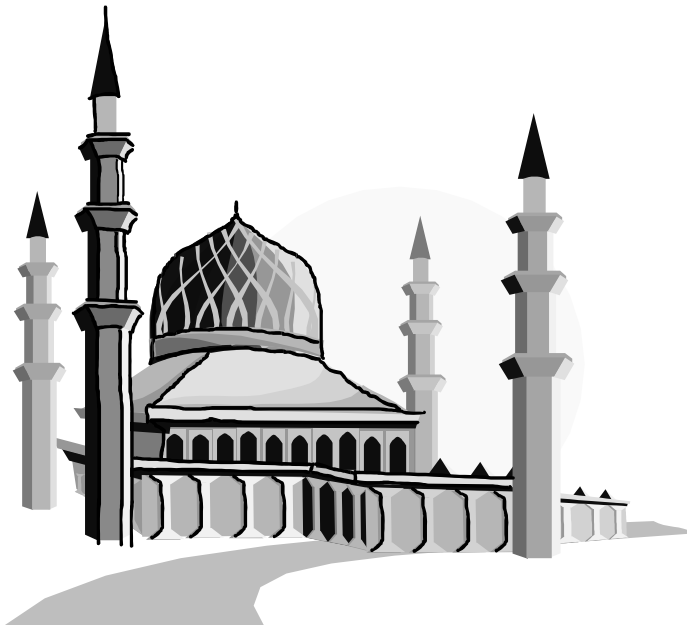


Photo tour of a Derby mosque at <http://www.hitchams.suffolk.sch.uk/mosque/default.htm> which can easily be used by pupils likewise the Cardiff mosque at http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/vtc/ngfl/re/m_parry_carmarthenshire/e_index_mosque_old.htm

There are photographs of mosques from throughout the world at <http://www.islamicfoundation.com/imagegallery/images.htm> unfortunately these are labelled by continent not place

There are some photographs of Peterborough mosques on <http://www.flickr.com/photos/masud/page4/> Contact details for the Peterborough mosques at <http://www.islamaware.co.uk/peMasjid.php> You may also like to listen to the Muslim Society of Peterborough's anthem at <http://www.islamaware.co.uk/arcMedia.php>

<http://www.ngfl.ac.uk/re/hanfia1.htm> picture tour of a Bradford mosque

A useful set of general photographs can be found at <http://www.sln.org.uk/re/Muslim%20images%201.htm>

Qur'an

A very good website for both seeing and hearing the Qur'an is to be found at <http://quranexplorer.com/> where you can select from a variety of translations and

reciters. The section of text being recited is highlighted as the audio plays, and each verse is repeated in English following the Arabic recitation.

Another site with background to the Qur'an and a selection of audio files
http://www.reonline.org.uk/allre/nframe.php?http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/texts/quran_1.shtml

The Qur'an explained for children at http://www.ngfl-cymru.org.uk/vtc/ngfl/re/m_parry_carmarthenshire/artefactau/quran.htm

Muslim Stories

<http://www.islamicedfoundation.com/pr03.htm> for stories, you may also like to look at their poetry collection <http://www.islamicedfoundation.com/material.htm>

Articles and poetry written by Muslim children which could be shared and investigated in class <http://playandlearn.org/articles.asp?Type=Gallery&pri=none> this site also has a large story collection <http://playandlearn.org/articles.asp?Type=Stories&pri=none>

Bilal's bedtime story book <http://al-islam.org/gallery/kids/Books/bilal/index.htm>

Try the attractive audio visual story telling books (of all six faiths) from the British Library
<http://www.bl.uk/learning/cult/sacred/stories/>

Rites of Passage

<http://re-xs.ucsm.ac.uk/re/passage/> covers all rites of passage for all faiths

Photographs and audio commentary from a Muslim wedding in Lancashire at
http://www.bbc.co.uk/lancashire/telling_lives/46_lancashire_intermediary.shtml

Sites which could be used by Pupils

As one would expect, there is an eduweb site on Islam -
<http://atschool.eduweb.co.uk/carolrb/islam/islamintro.html>

(small) photographs of Muslim children in the Gambia praying and celebrating various festivals <http://www.net-ferret.com/gambia/more/religion.htm#top>

Qur'anic study sessions for children can be found at
<http://www.submission.org/YES/> and will give you basic teaching material on Islam. The site includes craft ideas for Ramadan
<http://www.submission.org/YES/child2.html>

Learn some Arabic letters and words at
<http://playandlearn.org/reader.asp?Type=Alphabets&fn=102>

For a set of Muslim stories try <http://www.sln.org.uk/storyboard/l5.htm>



Find out what Muslim children think about different issues <http://www.natre.org.uk/db/>

<http://www.islam4schools.com/infant.htm> This website is by a Muslim group from Wiltshire, and is a forum in which they can continue to dialogue with pupils after they have visited schools. It is interesting to read the question and answer pages, and there are also various on-line games such as design your own prayer mat. There is an opportunity for you to ask questions also, but they need full school details, and I'm not sure whether they would answer schools they don't know.

BBC's Newsround programme had a week on Islam in 2005. The materials are up on the website <http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/specials/2005/islam/> and include a variety of submissions from Muslim children – unfortunately the video of the programme itself is not of sufficiently good quality for the interactive whiteboard, but could be viewed at individual computers.

Muslim children at Frenchwood Primary School in Lancashire talk about their faith <http://website.lineone.net/~jlancs/Islam.htm>

A Wakefield school outlines the 5 Pillars.
<http://www.gowilder.org.uk/re/fivepillars/index.html>

