

RE – Islam— 5 Pillars

Questioning

Theologians ask and answer challenging questions about morality and beliefs.

Knowledge

Theologians understand beliefs, teachings and practices from their own and others' religions.

Reflecting

Theologians reflect on truth, belief, faith and ethics within their own beliefs and those of different religions.

Respecting

Theologians respect and are sensitive to beliefs which are different to their own.

What should I already know?

The Prophet Muhammad is a special leader for Muslim people. The Mosque is a special, sacred and clean place of prayer for Muslims. The Qur'an guides Muslims in their daily lives.



What am I going to learn?

The Shahadah is the first pillar of Islam. It is the belief that there is only one God and that Muhammad is His messenger.

Salah is the second pillar of Islam. Salah means 'prayer' in Arabic. It is every Muslim's duty to pray to Allah five times a day. Salah does not have to take place in a Mosque. It can be carried out in any public place as long as: begins with washing (called wudu).

Zakah is the third pillar of Islam. It is a form of charity. It involves donating a portion of charity, specifically 2.5% of their annual savings.

The fourth pillar of Islam is Sawm, which means fasting. Muslims abstain from food and drink from dawn until sunset during the month of Ramadan.

The fifth pillar of Islam is Hajj, a pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca



Questions to think about: What do each of pillars mean? Why and how do Muslims pray?

Key Vocabulary

Definition

Shahadah

the Muslim profession of faith

Salah

Daily prayer performed five times a day by Muslims.

Zakat

Obligatory charitable contribution.

Ramadan

The ninth month of the Muslim year, during which fasting is observed.

Eid al Fitr

The 'Festival of Breaking the Fast.'

Hajj

A pilgrimage to Mecca

Makkah

A city in Saudi Arabia.

pilgrimage

a visit to a place that is considered special.

Wolverhampton Context

Wolverhampton Census Data 2021	
Buddhist	0.3%
Christian	47.6%
Hindu	2.7%
Jewish	0%
Muslim	4%
Sikh	1%
No religion	29.8%
No answer	5.4%
Other	9.3%