



Key Terms

Key Term	Definition
Monotheism	Belief in one God only
Muslims	Followers of the religion of Islam
Qur'an	The holy book of Islam
Allah	The Islamic term for God
Mosque	The Islamic place of worship
Prophethood	Messengers from God
Muhammad (pbuh)	The final and most important prophet, 750CE
Imam	A religious leader in Islam
Ummah	The community of Islam

1. The prophets of Islam

- i. Noah
- ii. Abraham
- iii. Moses
- iv. Jesus
- v. Muhammad (pbuh)

2. Main events in Muhammad's (pbuh) life

- a. An orphan who becomes a shepherd, camel trader and successful businessman.
- b. Marries Khadijah, has six children.
- c. Dislikes the behaviour of many people in Mecca. He tells them not to worship idols.
- d. He must flee to Medina; Allah protects him on his journey.
- e. He is visited by Angel Jibril, and given the message of the Qur'an
- f. He returns to Mecca, builds the first Mosque, and forms the Muslim community.

4. The importance of the Qur'an in Islam

- a. The Qur'an is written in Arabic and should be read in Arabic to keep its true meaning.
- b. The Qur'an is read from right to left. It has 114 chapters known as *surahs*.
- c. Muslims believe the words in it are the exact words from Allah and show Muslims how to live.
- d. The word 'Qur'an' means 'recitation' which means to speak out loud.
- e. Muslims are encouraged to read it every day.

5. The Five Pillars of Islam uphold the Islamic faith



- i. Shahadah – Oneness of God
- ii. Salah – Importance of Prayer
- iii. Zakah – charity – donating 2.5% of their income to charity
- iv. Sawm – fasting during Ramadan
- v. Hajj – Pilgrimage – journey to Mecca