

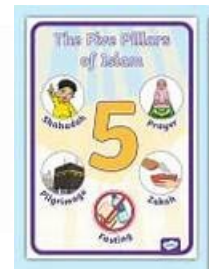
Key Vocabulary

Muslim	A follower of Islam
Islam	The religion followed by Muslims
Mosque	The Muslim place of worship
Qu'ran	The Muslim holy book
Allah	The Arabic word for God used by Muslims
Prophet	Special messengers sent by Allah
Muhammad	Muslims believe he was the last prophet sent by God. They follow his name with 'Peace Be Upon Him'.
Shahadah	The Muslim statement of faith
Aqiqah	A birth ceremony



Muslim families regularly visit the mosque to worship Allah, read the Qu'ran, to pray and meet other Muslims.

Muslims read the Qu'ran. They use a special stand when they are reading it.



For Muslims, the baby naming ceremony is called an aqiqah. As soon as the baby is born, Adhan (a special prayer) is whispered into their right ear. Aqiqah takes place seven days after the baby is born. The babies' head is shaved and the hair is weighed. Some money is given to charity equal to the weight of the hair.

Muslims observe 5 pillars. Some they do everyday, some are every year and some once in their lifetime.