



AL-ILM WEEKEND SCHOOL

Grade 4 Islamic Studies

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Unit 1

Chapter 5: Pre-Islamic Arabia

- Before the spread of Islam in Arabia, people were living in a condition of ignorance, or Jahiliyyah.
- Islam brought two major changes to the lives of the people in Arabia. These were:
 - A. Stopped worshipping idols.
 - B. Gave equal rights to women

Chapter 6: The Year of the Elephant

- The year 570 C.E. is called the Year of the Elephant.
- In Arabia the two important events that occurred in 570 C.E. were:
 1. The birth of our prophet Muhammad (SAW).
 2. Abrahah attacked Makkah.
- Allah swt protected the Kabah and saved it from destruction. The troops were faced with:
 1. A disease that spread amongst them which made them confused.
 2. Flocks of birds threw rocks upon them until they died.

Chapter 7: Early life of Muhammad (SAW)

- Muhammad (SAW)'s father was Abdullah and his mother was Aminah.
- Muhammad (SAW)'s father died before his birth due to a widespread disease.
- Halimah was the nurse mother of Muhammad (SAW).
- Muhammad (SAW)'s mother died when he was six years old and he became an orphan.
- Abdul Motalib who was Muhammad (SAW)'s grandfather took good care of him and loved him a lot.
- After the death of his grandfather Muhammad (SAW)'s uncle Abu Talib took his responsibility and later protected him from the Quraish.

Chapter 8: Life Before Becoming a Nabi

- Muhammad(SAW) became a nabi or messenger of Allah at the age of 40 years.
- Muhammad (SAW) was 25 years old when he got married to Khadijah (ra) who was 40 years old. They had many children and Fatima was their dearest daughter.
- During rebuilding of Kabah, Muhammad (S) solved the issue of placing the “Black Stone” in it’s proper location on the Kabah. He took a sheet of cloth and spread it on the ground. He placed the black stone on the ground over it, and asked each member of every clan to hold the sheet, lift it and carry it to the east wall of the Kabah.

Chapter 9: First Revelation

- In 610 C.E. in the month of Ramadan Muhammad (SAW) received the first revelation from Allah swt. While he was meditating in Cave Hira.
- Angel Jibril (A) brought the message of Allah swt to Nabi Muhammad (SAW).
- The first command given to Nabi Muhammad (SAW) was “Read! In the name of your lord.”
- The first set of revelations were sent to Muhammad (SAW) during the last 10 nights of Ramadan

Chapter 10: Makkah Period

- “The Period of Silence” lasted for several months.
- Rasulallah’s wife Khadija (ra) was one of the first few people to believe him and accept Islam.
- Within the first 5 years after Muhammad (S) became a Nabi the Muslims faced very difficult time in Makkah.
- The migration of Rasulullah (S) to Madinah is called “Hijrah.”

Chapter 11: Hijrat to Madinah

- The meaning of Hijrat is migration.
- When the Quraish leaders planned to kill Nabi Muhammad (SAW) Allah swt ordered him to migrate to Madinah.
- The night of Rasulullah’s migration he tricked the people who came to kill him by telling Ali (R) to sleep in his bed. The killers got fooled and Rasulullah secretly left his house in the dark.
- Hazrat Abu Bakr and our Nabi Muhammad (S) together began their hijrat to Yathrib (Madinah).
- When they were hiding in the cave of Thwar a spider spun a web at the entrance of the cave and a bird made a nest and laid an egg near the entrance to fool the killers.
- After a long journey they reached a place near Madinah called Quba and built the first mosque ever built by Muslims.
- When Rasulullah reached Yathrib (Madinah) the people were very happy and excited to see him.

Chapter 12: Madinah Period

- The Muslims fought three battles against the Makkans.

1. Battle of Badr

2. Battle of Uhud

3. Battle of the Trench

- A peace treaty called “Treaty of Hudaibiyah” was signed between Muslims and Makkans that later helped in liberation of Makkah.

- In 630 C.E. Makkah was liberated, the idols were destroyed, and Islam spread in Arabia.

- In 632 C.E. Muhammad (SAW) performed Hajj and on his return to Madinah he became very sick.

- Our beloved Nabi Muhammad (SAW) passed away in 632 C.E. He was 63 years old.