

Key Vocabulary

- Shahadah**- belief in one God and the Prophet of God.
- Salat**- daily prayer
- Sawm**- fasting
- Zakah**- to give charity to help the poor.
- Ibadah**- worship and belief in action
- Pilgrimage**- is a journey or search of moral or spiritual significance.
- Hajj** – a pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca made by Muslims.
- Shi'a Muslims**- give the importance to Ali (Prophet Muhammed's son in law) as a successor after Prophet Muhammed died.
- Sunni Muslims**- do not recognise Ali as being the prophet's rightful successor.
- Ummah**- Muslim community
- Eid-ul-Adha**- is a festival that occurs at the end of Hajj, this celebration recalls Ibrahim's faith being tested when he was asked to sacrifice his son Isma'il.
- Holy Qur'an**- the holy words revealed to Prophet Muhammed by Angel Jibril.

Important Facts

**Islam** is currently the world's second largest religion after Christianity. There are two main Muslim groups: **Sunni and Shi'a**. They chose sides following the death of the Islamic prophet Muhammad in AD 632. It is approximated that 85% of the world's Muslims are Sunni and 15% are Shia Muslims.

The religious make up of Luton (Information in the 2011 Census).



**Hajj**

Every year, millions of Muslims travel from around the world to Saudi Arabia to complete the **Hajj** pilgrimage in the holy city of Mecca. Hajj takes place in a ten-day period.

It is a spiritual pilgrimage that every adult Muslim must perform at least once in their lives. In order to be closer to God, they wear simple clothes, aren't allowed to argue and perform rituals such as throwing stones at

pillars to symbolise rejecting evil.

The **Holy Qur'an** is significant to Muslims as it is the final revealed word of God, it includes how it was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad by the Angel Jibril. and examples of key stories of the Prophets (e.g. Ibrahim, Musa, Isa, Prophet Muhammad), some of these stories are shared with Christian and Jewish people (e.g. Ibrahim/Abraham, Musa/Moses, Isa/Jesus). People who memorise the Qur'an are called hafiz (male) or hafiza (women).

Religion	2011 <sup>[8]</sup>	
	Number	%
Christian	96,271	47.38%
Buddhist	652	0.32%
Hindu	6,749	3.32%
Jewish	326	0.16%
Muslim	49,991	24.60%
Sikh	2,347	1.16%
Other religion	898	0.44%
No religion	33,594	16.53%

**Muslims follow and carry out the Five Pillars (duties) in Islam.**



الشهادتان  
**The Shahadah**  
شهادة أن لا إله إلا الله وأن محمداً رسول الله.  
The belief that there is no God but Allah and that Muhammad is his messenger.



الصلاة  
**Salah**  
خميس صلوات في اليوم.  
Praying five times a day.



الزكاة  
**Zakah**  
إخراج جزء من المال للفقراء والمساكين.  
Making an annual charitable donation to help the poor.



الصوم  
**Sawm**  
صوم رمضان.  
Fasting during the month of Ramadan.



الحج  
**Hajj**  
حج البيت في مكة لمن استطاع إليه سبيلاً.  
Attending the pilgrimage to Makkah once in your lifetime.

Key People and Places	Quiz
<p><b>Muslim-</b> a believer in God whom they called Allah and his messenger Prophet Muhammed.</p> <p><b>Allah-</b> a supreme being</p>	<p>1) <b>Islam is the _____ largest religion in the world.</b> a) first b) second c) third d) forth</p> <p>2) <b>Hajj is carried out by...</b> a) Christians b) Muslims c) Jews d) Hindus</p> <p>3) <b>How many days do Muslims spend praying during Hajj</b> a) 14 days b) 5 days c) 10 days d) 7 days</p> <p>4) <b>What are the two main groups in Islam?</b> a) Sunni and Shi'a b) Roman Catholics and Protestants c) Theravada and Vajrayana d) Orthodox and reform</p> <p>5) <b>The five pillars of Islam is shahadah, salah, zakat, swam and....</b> a) Holy Quran b) Hajj c) Eid d) Umrah</p> <p>6) <b>How many times should salah be carried out in a day?</b> a) once b) twice c) four d) five</p> <p>7) <b>Where do Muslims travel to carry out their pilgrimage?</b> a) Mecca b) Jerusalem c) River Ganges d) Bethlehem</p> <p>8) <b>Who revealed the words of God to Prophet Muhammed?</b> a) Jesus b) Muslims c) Angel Jibril d) Holy Spirit</p> <p>9) <b>Eid-al-Adha is a festival that remembers the sacrifice made by.....</b> a) Prophet Muhammed b) Prophet Isa c) Prophet Ibrahim d) Prophet Musa</p> <p>10) <b>What is the shahadah?</b> a) belief in Gods b) belief in one God c) belief in Prophet Muhammed d) belief in the Holy city</p>
Key Dates	Useful websites
<p>B.C stands for the English phrase “before Christ,”</p> <p>A.D is a Latin phrase: anno domini (“in the year of the Lord”—the year Jesus was born).</p> <p><b>Islam 610 AD</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/z8jpycw">https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/z8jpycw</a> (Hajj)</p> <p><a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/practices/shahadah.shtml">https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/practices/shahadah.shtml</a>- shahadah</p> <p><a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpdtbkb/articles/zhjif4j">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpdtbkb/articles/zhjif4j</a> Eid ul Adha</p>