

R.E. – Knowledge Organiser

RE Focus

Islam: Hajj

Year 2

Summer 2

What? (Key Knowledge)

The Five Pillars of Islam.

Muslim people have five duties which are called the Five Pillars of Islam. Every Muslim tries to carry out these five things, and it helps them to feel that they are members of the worldwide Muslim community.

Mecca (Makkah)



Mecca is the heart of Islam and is a very special place to all Muslims. Every day, Muslims pray in the direction of this city no matter where they are in the world.

Hajj

Every Muslim is expected to make the journey (pilgrimage) to Mecca at least once in their life (as long as they are well enough and are able to afford it). This is known as Hajj. They gather at **Mount Arafat** for Hajj prayers.

Kaaba

In Mecca there is a huge mosque called **Grand Mosque**. Inside the mosque is a stone building covered in black cloth which is seen as the holiest place in the world for Muslims. Muslims face the Kaaba when praying, no matter where they are in the world.



Attainment Targets

- I can tell you about a special journey I have been on and why it was special to me.
- I can remember some of the events that happen during Hajj and start to explain why these are important to Muslims.
- I can start to think about the

Key Questions

- Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?
- What makes a journey special?
- What is a pilgrimage?
- What does the word ummah/community mean?
- What are the five pillars of Islam?
- Is Hajj compulsory for every Muslim?
- How does Hajj compare to a visit to one of the wonders of the world?

What? (Key vocab)

Spelling

Definition

Salah

Muslims must pray five times a day. Before **prayer**, they must wash themselves.

Shahadah

This Pillar is believing and saying the words. "There is no god except Allah.

Pilgrimage

A special journey to a place of (religious) significance.

Five Pillars

The five things that Muslims are expected to do:
Salah (Prayer), fasting, have faith, give charity and Hajj.

Hajj robes

Special clothes worn during the pilgrimage to Mecca.

Possible experiences

- Outdoor Learning – Work as a class to chalk out the five pillars of Islam.
- Visit to a local mosque - Al-Emaan mosque in Keston. (Zoom call)