



## Who is Muslim and how do they live?

Key Vocabulary	
<b>Islam</b>	<b>Islam</b> is the second most popular religion in the world.
<b>Muslim</b>	A follower of the religion of <b>Islam</b> .
<b>Allah</b>	The Arabic name that <b>Muslims</b> use for God.
<b>Five Pillars of Islam</b>	The five things that <b>Muslims</b> are expected to do.
<b>Prophets</b>	Special messengers sent from <b>Allah</b> .
<b>Muhammad</b>	The last <b>prophet</b> and the key <b>prophet</b> in <b>Islam</b> .






### Key Beliefs

**Muslims** believe that there is only one God called **Allah**. They believe **Allah** is the only ruler of the universe. The word '**Islam**' means submission and obedience to **Allah**.

**Muhammad** is so highly respected by **Muslims** that they will say "peace be upon him" after his name is spoken.

## The Five Pillars of Islam

These are the five most important duties for Muslims.

				
<b>The Shahadah</b>	<b>Salah</b>	<b>Zakat</b>	<b>Sawm</b>	<b>Hajj</b>
The belief that there is no God but Allah and that Muhammad is his messenger.	Praying five times a day.	Making an annual charitable donation to help the poor.	Fasting during the month of Ramadan.	Attending the pilgrimage to Makkah once in your lifetime.





A Mosque

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### Place of Worship

The **Muslim** place of worship is called a **mosque**. Services are held in **mosques** every day. The most important service for **Muslims** is on a Friday.

**Mosques** often have a domed roof. There are no images of people or animals in **mosques**. They are decorated with patterns and words from **the Qur'an**.

**Muslims** take off their shoes before going into the **mosque** and wash before they pray. **Muslims** pray kneeling on the floor on a prayer mat. The wall of the **mosque** which faces **Mecca** is called the qibla wall. It has an empty arch to show the direction of Mecca.

### Symbol of Islam

There is no official symbol of **Islam**, but the star and crescent symbol is the symbol most commonly associated with Islam.



### Key Vocabulary

<b>Mecca</b>	<b>Mecca</b> is an important place to <b>Muslims</b> . It is where <b>Muhammad</b> was born. <b>Muslims</b> face <b>Mecca</b> to pray and try to visit it sometime during their lives.
<b>mosque</b>	<b>Muslim</b> place of worship.
<b>The Qur'an</b>	The holy book of <b>Islam</b> .

### The Qur'an

The **Muslim** holy book is called **the Qur'an**. **Muslims** believe that it is a record of the exact words that Allah said.

