

Answers

1. How would you describe how Muslims view God?

Any answer which includes reference to God being merciful, powerful and unique; that God can be called upon at a time of distress.

2. In your own words, explain what the Qur'an is.

Answers that include reference to the Qur'an being the religious scripture of Islam; that it is the word of God and teaches people right from wrong; that it is written in Arabic and revealed to Prophet Muhammad.

3. Why do you think there are rules about handling the Qur'an?

Answers that include: showing respect; it is a holy book; it is a religious scripture and is valuable to people.

4. Who was Muhammad?

Muhammad was the final prophet of Islam who had the Qur'an revealed to him. He was born in AD 570 in Mecca and worked as a merchant.

5. What does 'revelation' mean?

Revelation means that something important is revealed. In this case, it is of a divine nature which relates to humans and their lives.

6. How was the Qur'an revealed to Muhammad?

The Qur'an was revealed to Muhammad by the Angel Gabriel appearing to him in a cave on Mount Hira. The angel spoke to Muhammad and Muhammad began reciting the words from God.

7. How did the revelation of the Qur'an affect Muhammad's life?

Muhammad began preaching what had been revealed to him and became known as a prophet.

8. Describe a pilgrimage you might want to make. It could be for anything that means something to you.

Children's own responses which indicate they understand the importance and personal value of going on a pilgrimage.